

BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS

NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary convened in annual session Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, May 20, 1942 in the Sage Library.

ARTICLE I OPENING

The President, Rev. M. Stephen James, called the meeting to order, the opening prayer was offered by Rev. A. E. Oudemool.

ARTICLE II ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

CLASSES

Albany
Bergen
Bergen, South
Greene
Hudson
Long Island, North
Long Island, South
Monmouth
Montgomery
Newark
New Brunswick
New York
Orange
Palisades
Paramus
Passaic
Philadelphia
Poughkeepsie
Raritan
Rensselaer
Rochester
Saratoga
Schenectady
Schoharie
Ulster
Westchester

Rev. M. Stephen James
Rev. James E. Hoffman
Rev. Wm. Reese Hart

Rev. Andrew A. Burkhardt
Rev. M. Eugene Flipse
Rev. Leroy C. Brandt
Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn
Rev. Walter S. Maines

Rev. Jasper S. Hogan
Rev. Ernest R. Palen
Rev. John W. Tysse
Rev. William Mager
Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Lawrence J. Borst
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Rev. William E. Compton

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Rev. William B. Buitendorp
Rev. Arthur E. Oudemool
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Chicago
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New Brunswick
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New York

Elder Richard C. Kennedy

Rev. Gerritt De Motts

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The President of the Seminary

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

By the rule of the Board the Vice-President, Rev. James E. Hoffman, succeeded to the office of President for the ensuing year. Rev. John S. Moore was elected Vice-President and Rev. Elias W. Thompson, Temporary Clerk.

ARTICLE IV READING OF THE MINUTES AND RULES OF ORDER

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. The reading of the Rules of Order was omitted.

ARTICLE V APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following Standing Committees were appointed by the President:

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REPORTS OF FACULTY AND DIRECTORS

Rev. Anthony Van Westernburg Rev. Andrew A. Burkhardt
Elder Richard C. Kennedy

SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Lawrence J. Borst Rev. Arthur H. Voerman
Rev. Arthur E. Oudemool

SYNODICAL REPORT

Rev. John Tysse Rev. Rev. Abram Pepling
Rev. Gerritt De Motts

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Rev. M. Eugene Flipse Rev. James E. Hoffman
Rev. Thomas P. Haig Rev. John S. Moore

EXAMINATIONS

Rev. Thomas P. Haig Rev. James E. Hoffman
Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn
Rev. John W. Tysse Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Rev. M. Eugene Flipse Rev. Ernest R. Palen
Rev. John S. Moore Rev. Leroy C. Brandt

INSTRUCTION

Rev. Thomas P. Haig Rev. M. Eugene Flipse
Rev. John Y. Broek

ARTICLE VI COMMUNICATIONS

The Stated Clerk of the Classis of Poughkeepsie sent a notice of the nomination of Rev. Cornelius Van Tol for membership in the Board to succeed Rev. Lyman A. Talman who had moved from the bounds of the Classis. A certification was received from the Stated Clerk of the General Synod declaring Mr. Van Tol's right to sit as a member of the Board at this meeting.

The following statement was read from the Stated Clerk of the Classis of Rochester - "Rev. Johan Mulder of our Classis having been commissioned as a Chaplain, we are sending Rev. Garret Hondelink to substitute for Mr. Mulder". On motion Mr. Hondelink was invited to share in discussions and enjoy the privileges of the floor.

Rev. John Y. Broek stated that he would not be able to attend the meeting of the Board because he will be at a meeting of the Board of Trustees and at the Commencement of Central College, and will also be in attendance at certain committee meetings in the West in connection with the work of the General Synod.

Rev. Henry E. Schoon also asked to be excused and Rev. Cornelius Van Tol was prevented from being present. These were all excused.

A communication was received from the Stated Clerk of the General Synod as follows: "To comply with the Constitution this is to notify you that the President of General Synod has notified me that two professors of Theology are to be elected for the New Brunswick Theological Seminary at General Synod next June". The members of the Board had received due notice of this from the Stated Clerk in accordance with Article III, Section 31 of the Constitution.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

This report was presented by Rev. M. Eugene Flipse, the chairman, and is recorded in full:

To the Board of Superintendents:

Your Committee on Admissions presents its report as follows, covering the period since its last report was submitted to the Board in May, 1941:

I. STATISTICAL

June 2, 1941

1. Wilfrid H. Hasbrouck. Graduate of Hope College, June 1941. Credentials and Transcript of Credits presented. Received as a member of the Class of 1944.
2. Harry John Almond. Graduate of Rutgers University, 1941. Member of Presbyterian Church. Home: Glen Ridge, N. J. Credentials and papers in order. Received as a member of the Class of 1944.

July 7, 1941

3. William Duitsman. Graduate of Dubuque University, 1941. Home: Clara City, Minnesota. Member of Clara City Reformed Church. Credentials in order. Admitted to Class of 1944.

Sept. 24, 1941

4. The Rev. Samuel G. Graham. Graduated in 1939 from Eastern Baptist Seminary, Collegiate Department. Presented Theological credits which were accepted as the equivalent of one year's work. Admitted to the Middle Class with the understanding that he would spend three years in completing the course, because he was preaching at the Baptist Church of Ardena, N. J. Mr. Graham discontinued his work in the Seminary too soon to enable him to acquire any credits.
5. The Rev. Mr. Marker. A methodist minister of Groveville, Pa. No college degree. A graduate of Nyack Missionary Training School. Not admitted.

April 10, 1942

6. Samuel L. Van Eman. Graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, 1936. A Senior in Westminster Choir School, due to graduate in June 1942. Presented favorable letter from his pastor, Presbyterian, of Canonsburg, Pa. Mr. Van Eman was taking two courses in this Seminary. It was decided to allow him to work for credit in these two courses, but he was inducted into the Army too soon to permit him to finish those courses.

April 29, 1942

7. William Heckman. Asbury Park, N. J. A Junior at Rutgers University. After examination by the Committee, he was enrolled as a "Prospective Student" in the Seminary.
8. Robert Clementz. Attending Bloomfield Seminary. Enrolled as a student in this Seminary, to begin Sep. 1942, his class rating to be established by his Bloomfield credits.
9. Philip Brunstetter. Metuchen, N. J. Received as a student in the Class of 1945.
10. John R. Hawkins. Albany, N. Y. A Junior at Rutgers. After extended examination and subsequent prolonged discussion, Mr. Hawkins was enrolled by a divided vote as a "Prospective Student" in the Seminary. It was voted that he must again appear personally before the Committee on Admissions for further examination before he can be formally matriculated in the Seminary.
11. John Hart. Jersey City, N. J. A Junior at Rutgers. Enrolled as a "Prospective Student" in the Seminary.
12. Harry C. Kreutzer. Yonkers, N. Y. A Junior at Rutgers. Enrolled as a "Prospective Student" in the Seminary.
13. Howard Hageman. A Senior in Harvard University. Credentials in order. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945.
14. Wilbur E. Ivins. A Senior at Central College. Credentials in order. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945.
15. Arthur J. Grull. Denver, Colo. A Junior at Central College. Credentials presented. Enrolled as a "Prospective Student" in the Seminary.

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16. Harold J. Vanden Berg. A Senior at Central College. Credentials in order. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945.
17. Vernon J. Meerdink. Senior at Hope College. Credentials in order. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945.
18. Norbert A. Moke. Plainfield, N. J. Senior at Central College. Credentials in order. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945.

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19. Blase Levai. Passaic, N. J. Senior at Hope College. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945.
20. Frederick P. Gosselink. Rocky Hill, N. J. Senior at Rutgers. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945.
21. Ernest S. Heeren. Malverne, N. Y. Senior at Rutgers. Enrolled as a member of the Class of 1945

SUMMARY:

Admitted to Class of 1944	3
Admitted to Class of 1945	9
Admitted as Specials or Unclassified	3
Enrolled as "Prospective Students"	5
Not admitted	1

MATTERS OF POLICY AND PROCEDURE

There have been several changes in policy and procedure necessitated by the emergency of War. These may be briefly summarized as follows:

1. Selective Service Headquarters has promulgated certain regulations affecting regularly enrolled students of theology in Seminaries, and also students who are still in college, but who are bona fide students definitely preparing for the Ministry. The Director of Selective Service has urged that the status of all these men be clarified by their being definitely enrolled as regular students or as prospective students.

Therefore your Committee changed the usual procedure in 1941. We met last May to examine students for admission to the Seminary in the fall. (Formerly the Committee met on the day that the Seminary opened in September). This year the Committee repeated the procedure of last year, and held an extended meeting on April 29th.

2. The Government has also ruled that undergraduates in colleges may also be recognized as bona fide students of theology, and may be deferred on that basis even though they are not ready to graduate from college; provided: that such students are actually received and enrolled by a recognized Seminary as "Prospective Students".

We have, therefore, followed that suggestion in the cases of the five undergraduate students mentioned above as "Prospective Students" and it was voted: that the Committee adopt this policy for the duration of the war, or so long as present Selective Service Regulations in this matter remain in effect.

3. The Committee also authorized the President of the Seminary to issue a statement in writing to the proper authorities, to the effect that one, William Heckman, is a bona fide student for the Ministry. Authority will be given to the President of the Seminary to issue similar statements on behalf of other men whose draft boards may require such certification.

4. Due to the War, many colleges are speeding up courses and advancing graduation dates. To meet this situation, the Committee voted to receive students into the Seminary at the beginning of the Second Semester of the school year, provided: that such students be graduated from an accredited college, with the A. B. degree or its equivalent. This policy is to remain in force for the duration of the War, or until changed by order of the Board of Superintendents or by the Committee.

Naturally, this will involve certain adjustments in the courses of study and similar matters on the part of the Faculty. It is not the function of this Committee to arrange these details. It is rather a faculty matter. But, for the information of the Board, it may be stated that your Committee has conferred with the Faculty in regard to the matter - and the professors are prepared to cooperate in the necessary adjustments in program

5. As a result of the change from September to May, in the time of meeting as a Committee to meet students, a complete change in the type of the Fall meeting was made in September 1941.

Instead of meeting on Wednesday morning to interview incoming students, the Committee and Faculty met at five o'clock in the afternoon, greeted all incoming students, introduced them and talked with them, and tried to make them feel something of the spirit of the school and of the work they were beginning. Then, in the dining hall of Hertzog Hall, there was a dinner attended by the whole seminary family, including professors and their wives, the Committee on Admissions (whose wives were not invited), old students and new students, AND, the wives of the married students. After the dinner, more or less informal speeches were made by members of the Committee, Faculty and student body - and then the entire group attended the opening exercises and listened to the address at the religious service in the Chapel.

It has appeared to all concerned that this new procedure is a vast improvement on the old procedure. By meeting students in the late Spring, instead of on the very day the Seminary opens in September, we now have an opportunity to advise the applicants to better advantage; there is time to correct some faults or to make up some deficiency; and if it appears necessary to decline to receive the applicant, this can be done without uncalled-for embarrassment and humiliation.

Under the old method it was almost indecent to permit a man to come, let us say, from some distant point, with all arrangements made, only to be turned down at the very last moment.

Your Committee submits this report in the above detail for your information, in the hope that the changes in policy and procedure outlined above may meet with the approval of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS
M. Eugene Flipse, Chairman

It was
VOTED, That the report be received and all of its recommendations be adopted.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY TO THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS May 20, 1942

On May 22, 1941, at the Commencement exercises the following eight students were graduated with the B. D. degree and awarded the Professorial Certificate:

Lester Henry Alberts	Wallkill, N. Y.
William Armitage Beardslee, cum Laude	Queen's Village, N. Y.
Forest Lyle Decker	Plainfield, N. J.
Harold Fredman wante	Glen, N. Y.
Raymond Jacob Pontier	Berne, N. Y.
Marvin Earle VanLeeuwen, cum Laude	Athens, N. Y.
John Henry Vruwink, cum Laude	Catskill, N. Y.
Chester Arthur Wing	Voorheesville, N. Y.

All of these graduates are in full time service in their respective churches.

Following is the enrollment of the Seminary during the past academic year:

SENIOR CLASS

George John Ammerman	A. B. Central 1939	Roseland, Minn.
William Babinsky	A. B. Rutgers 1939	Ligonier, Pa.
Isidor Topkins Beam	A. B. Bloomfield 1938	Califon, N. J.

Herbert Wilkinson Gee
Herman Edward Luben
Edward William Meury
Francis Edward Potter
Dorr Leonard Van Etten
James Post Van Pernis

B. Th. Colgate 1925
A. B. Hope 1938
A. B. Rutgers 1939
A. B. Rutgers 1939
B. S. Penn. State 1935
A. B. Rutgers 1939

Wyckoff, N. J.
Coopersville, Mich.
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
Metuchen, N. J.
Spotswood, N. J.
Chicago, Ill.

MIDDLE CLASS

John Paul Ailts
Harvey F. Ammerman
Andrew Branche
Marvin Bernard Cady
Robert Gordon Dickson
John Dean Dykstra
Harold Russell Fuss
Orville Jay Hine

A. B. Central 1940
A. B. Central 1940
B. S. Ala. State Teachers '32
A. B. Central 1939
A. B. Rutgers 1940
A. B. Hope 1940
A. B. Wm. Jennings Bryan '40
A. B. Hope 1939
A. M. Boston 1940
A. B. Rutgers 1939
A. B. Haverford 1935
Ph.D. Johns Hopkins '40
A. B. Hope, 1937
A. M. Nebraska 1938

Lakota, Iowa
Clara City, Minn.
'32 Montgomery, Ala.
Harrison, S. D.
Brooklyn, N. Y.
Grand Rapids, Mich.
Beverly, N. J.
Chicago, Ill.
Albany, N. Y.
Suffern, N. Y.
Kalamazoo, Mich.

John Henry Ludlum, Jr.
Richard Munn Suffern

Peter Nicholas Vanden Berge

JUNIOR CLASS

Gordon Maynard Aldrich
Harry John Almond
Frank Palmer Beardslee
Richard Delmar Beving
Siebold Wm. Duitsman
John Dykstra
Marion Gerard Gosselink
Dwight Norman Grotenhouse
Herbert Jacob Guth
Wilfrid H. Hasbrouck
William Mill Hunter
Roger Beverly Juckett
Jay Roland Kapenga
Douglas Robertson MacDonald
LeRoy Nixon
Forrest Roosevelt Prindle
Lorenz Alexander Prolli
Garrett Cornell Rooda
Albert George Shiphorst
Stanley Swan Slingerland
Winfield Blair Sutphin
Norman Edwin Thomas

A. B. Rutgers 1941
A. B. Rutgers 1941
A. B. Bloomfield 1940
A. B. Central 1941
A. B. Dubuque 1941
A. B. Central 1941
A. B. Rutgers 1941
A. B. Hope 1941
A. B. Dubuque 1941
A. B. Hope 1941
A. B. Central 1941
A. B. Rutgers 1941
A. B. Hope 1941
A. B. Hope 1941
A. B. Central 1941
A. B. Rutgers 1941
A. B. Central 1941
A. B. Hope 1941
A. B. Hope 1941
A. B. Montclair St. Teachers
A. B. Rutgers 1941

Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
Glen Ridge, N. J.
New Brunswick, N. J.
Wellsburg, Iowa
Clara City, Minn.
Detroit, Mich.
Rocky Hill, N. J.
Orange City, Iowa
German Valley, Ill.
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Ridgefield, N. J.
New Paltz, N. Y.
Holland, Mich.
Flushing, N. Y.
Newtown, Pa.
Schuylerville, N. Y.
Bogota, N. Y.
South Denver, Colo.
Oakland, N. J.
Riverdale, N. J.
Teachers '41, Marlboro, N. J.
Brooklyn, N. Y.

The total enrollment for the year was 43, of which the Junior Class numbered 22, the largest entering class for many years. Two members of last year's Middle Class, Mr. William Balzer Knickel, and Mr. Cornelius Vanden Broek, and one member of last year's Junior Class, Mr. Julian Swain Houtain, did not return to the Seminary.

Nine students are taking the course in four years, three in the Middle Class, and six in the Junior Class, following the requirement of the Faculty of extending the time for all students who serve regularly as supply preachers or who for other reasons must lighten the full schedule of our ~~work~~ class work.

Throughout the year, ten young ladies of the Seminary Circle met one hour a week for reading, discussing and interpreting the Christian Message. They met with Dr. Beardslee the first semester and with Mr. Rylaarsdam the second semester.

Professor Beardslee also read Galatians with a special group of advanced students one hour a week during the first semester. The Senior Comprehensive examination this year was based on the theme: "My Gospel - A Ministry of Reconciliation". It differed from previous comprehensives in that it was more of an essay type instead of set questions, and was shortened in time to one day instead of former three day examinations. The Faculty is still searching for the ideal method of plumbing the depths of the student's learning after their three years' stay at the Seminary. The final examination of the Middle Class was again a comprehensive test covering all of the work of the two years in each department.

The due date of the Senior Theses has been advanced to December instead of April since it was found that the later date caused the students to let their work accumulate to such a degree as to seriously interfere with class work in the second semester of the Senior year. The new rule requires the Juniors to decide on their subject at the end of the Junior year with the expectation that they will devote time in the summer vacation as well as throughout the Middle year to gathering materials for their Thesis.

With the large increase in the Junior Class this year we were able to locate students in more churches including some of other denominations than our own. Their work with these pastors gives them valuable experience not only in Sunday School and Young People's Work, but acquaints them with church methods and church problems of the active ministry. The pastors met with the Faculty at the beginning of the school year to plan the kind of work each could give the students, and again at the end of the year to report on the accomplishments and attitudes of their respective under-studies. The students were also given an opportunity to report their reactions and appraisal of their church activities (in writing). Their reports were quite enthusiastic and appreciative of the helps given them by the pastors and the churches. The summer work of the students under the efficient guidance of Dr. Bayles, again proved beneficial not only to the student preachers but also the churches they served.

Three of our Middlers were engaged by the New Brunswick Committee on Week Day Religious Education to teach classes on released time made available by the public school. While the enrollment of these classes was small, there was a distinct increase in interest and effectiveness of work over the previous year.

During the year some of the students attended the following conferences:

Student Inter-Seminary Conference at Princeton November 6-9

Conference on Visual Education at Princeton

United Christian Education Advance Convention, Brooklyn, April 27

Conference on Cooperative Christianity of Seminary Students and Staffs of the National Interchurch Agencies in New York, May 1-2.

Mr. Rylaarsdam conducted three retreats for students during the year meeting at Bernardsville, February 27-28, April 10-11, May 1-2.

The Student Preaching and Chapel offerings for the year amounted to \$225.50. This was distributed by the students to the following causes:

Board of Foreign Missions, R. C. A.	\$50.00	
Board of Domestic Missions, R. C. A.	25.00	
R.C.A. Committee on Relief	50.00	
World Student Service Fund	26.00	
Central College Organ Fund	15.00	
Rev. Conrad Hoffman, Hebrew Missions	7.00	
Russian Relief	17.50	\$190.50

The Basket Ball Team played eight games this year.

FACULTY ACTIVITIES

In addition to the regular courses given by the Faculty, the curriculum was enriched this year by the work of the following: Mr. Rylaarsdam's courses in Old Testament for all three classes, both semesters; Dr. James' courses in Homiletics for all three classes and Liturgics

for the Senior Class; Dr. Bayles' courses in Pastoral Theology for the Middle Class, each semester; Dr. Stauffer's course in World Missions of Christianity for the Junior and Middle Classes; Dr. Sizoo's course on Preaching for the Middle and Senior Classes; Rev. Abram Muste's course in Social Christianity for the Middle and Senior Classes; Dr. Demarett's lectures to the Senior Class on the History and Constitution of the Reformed Church in America; Mr. Bishop's course in Beginning Hebrew for the Middle Class, and as an elective for several of the Junior Class; and Dr. Richard Suffern's course in Beginning Greek for nine students of the Junior Class who came without preparation in Greek.

Other lectures this year included the Rev. Calvin T. Schnucker, Dr. Luman J. Shaffer, the Rev. James Claude Thomson, Dr. George C. Lenington and Dr. Adolf Keller. Dr. Willard Dayton Brown, Secretary of our Board of Education delivered the opening address in September.

Repeating their request of last year, the students asked for preaching services in the Chapel by members of the Faculty who did not preach last year. Five services were held with the following as the preachers: Dr. Hoffman, Mr. Rylaarsdam, Mr. Bishop, Dr. Stauffer and Dr. James.

Prof. Hoffman led a three day conference of the Baptist Young People Union of New Jersey, speaking on "The Bible and the Present Crisis". He also delivered a series of five lectures in the Fort Washington Collegiate Church on the History of Early Christianity.

Mr. Rylaarsdam lectured before the Reformed Church Ministers' association of Albany.

Prof. Weber taught two courses in Rutgers University, School of Education, one in Character Education in the public school, and the other on the English Bible as Literature.

Prof. Hope wrote a number of articles for the Expository Times of Edinburgh and several for Church Management.

Prof. Beardslee was the Seminary's delegate at the 175th Anniversary of the Founding of Rutgers University.

Prof. Hoffman represented the Seminary at the 75th Anniversary of Hope College. Dr. John A. Dykstra, New Brunswick '12, minister of the Central Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, represented the 50th Anniversary of the Founding of the University of Chicago.

Prof. Hoffman represented the Seminary at the inauguration of Prof. Otto Piper as Professor of New Testament at Princeton Theological Seminary.

Prof. Beardslee took part in the service inaugurating Rev. George H. Mennenga, Rev. Lester J. Kuyper and Rev. William Goulouze as Professors in our Western Theological Seminary, November 18, 1941.

Three Youth Conferences were held on the Seminary Campus during last summer.

The New Jersey Rural Ministers' Conference under the auspices of the N. J. State Ministers' Association occupied Hertzog Hall for three days in June, while attending their meetings concerned with rural and town church work.

The Fall Conference of the Reformed Church Ministers, September 15 and 16, was addressed by Professor Douglas Van Steere, Professor of Philosophy in Haverford College on the subject: "Growth in Religious Life" and by Dr. Willis G. Hoekje, formerly of our Japan Mission. The closing service of the conference included the ordination of John Coert Rylaarsdam by the Classis of New Brunswick, and the Communion service conducted by Dr. Stauffer of the Second Reformed Church.

The Seminary's delegate to General Synod in Albany this year is Professor Hoffman, with Professor Hope as secundus.

The Seminary is cooperating with the City authorities in the matter of air raid defense, Mr. Harry Almond, one of our Juniors having been appointed to take the training as Air Raid Warden for this part of the

The year we are now closing has been one of rich blessing to Faculty and students, marked with progress, both intellectual and spiritual.

To the members of the Faculty it has been a year of solemn challenge as we have faced the opportunities and responsibilities of teaching these fine young men of our churches who have devoted their lives and talents to the service of Jesus Christ.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships: Senior Class - Herman Edward Luben
 Middle Class - John Henry Ludlum, Jr.
 Junior Class - Roger Beverly Juckett
 The Doolittle Prize in New Testament - Marvin Bernard Cady
 The Lodewick Prize for Preaching - Francis Edward Potter
 The Van Doren Prize in Missions - John Henry Ludlum, Jr.

The Faculty recommend the members of the Senior Class for Professorial Certificates, and the other classes to be advanced in course.

(Signed) William A. Weber

Secretary of the Faculty

This Report was received and referred to the Committee on Reports of Faculty and Directors.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS, TREASURER AND LIBRARIAN

These reports were presented for information and will be printed in full in the Minutes of General Synod 1942.

ARTICLE VII

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS

The Committee on Examinations reported through its chairman, Rev. T. P. Haig, that the custom had again been followed of visiting the various classes during the year and after conference taking home with them the large Comprehensive Examination papers for careful reading. After further perusal of the final examination papers their recommendation was adopted: that Professorial Certificates be granted to the members of the Senior Class and the other classes be advanced in course, subject to any exceptions made by the Faculty.

ARTICLE VIII

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Committee on Closer Relations with the Directors, hereafter to be known as THE COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION, reported several meetings with a similar committee of the Directors to consider how to provide for the professorial chairs of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis, and Practical Theology. The joint committees had voted to recommend the names of Rev. John Coert Rylaarsdam and Rev. M. Stephen James to the Board of Superintendents for nomination to the General Synod. The requirements of Article III, Section 31 of the Constitution, having been complied with, the Board voted unanimously to nominate to the General Synod Rev. John Coert Rylaarsdam for the professorial chair of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis, and Rev. M. Stephen James for the professorial chair of Practical Theology in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

The Committee on Faculty Visitation of the Classes reported that they had been greatly assisted by Prof. Hoffman in this effort to bring the Seminary and its needs more directly before the churches. The chairman of the Committee, Rev. L. J. Borst, asked that the Committee be discharged and that Prof. Hoffman be requested to continue to arrange for members of the Faculty to speak at classical meetings, with the cooperation of the members of the Board.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted and the Committee was discharged with thanks for their excellent work in inaugurating a plan so productive of good results.

ARTICLE IX
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON FACULTY AND DIRECTORS REPORTS

Rev. Anthony Van Westenburg, the chairman, reported that the Committee, like the other members of the Board, had carefully read these reports and found much that was encouraging and gave evidence of earnest and profitable labor. The Committee found nothing in these reports requiring special action by the Board.

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES

Your Committee begs to report that after careful perusal of the Minutes of General Synod, R. C. A. 1941, it has found nothing that needs to be brought to your attention.

Lawrence J. Borst
Arthur H. Voerman
Arthur E. Oudemool

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL REPORT

The Committee presented its report in outline and recommended that the Stated Clerk be authorized to complete it by supplying all necessary items from the minutes of this session, forwarding the same to be printed in the Minutes of General Synod 1942. The recommendation was adopted.

Abram Pepling
John W. Tysse
Gerritt De Motts

ARTICLE X
NEW BUSINESS

It was

VOTED, That the Stated Clerk be directed to convey to Prof. Hoffman the thanks of the Board for his successful effort to arrange for the members of the consistories of a Classis to visit the Seminary grounds and buildings on an appointed day, and after a dinner as guests of the Seminary attending a brief service in Worcester Memorial Chapel.

At the close of the afternoon session the members of the Board enjoyed the hospitality of President and Mrs. Beardslee at a reception tendered in their home. This social hour with the members of the Faculty and their wives, the students and other invited guests, was greatly appreciated. A hearty vote of thanks to our hosts for this courtesy was passed by the Board.

All of the students were present at the evening session in the Chapel. The devotional service was conducted by the Vice-President of the Board, after which the President, Rev. James E. Hoffman, addressed them. This was followed by the examination of the members of the Senior Class in preaching and their individual reasons for desiring to enter the Christian ministry.

It was

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to devise a more satisfactory method, in conference with the professor of Practical Theology, for this part of the examination of the Seniors. Rev. John S. Moore, Rev. Thomas P. Haig and the Stated Clerk were appointed.

ARTICLE XII

CLOSING

All of the sessions of the Board were opened and closed with prayer

ARTICLE XIII

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was ordered at the close of the Commencement exercises which were held in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University, at 11.45, A.M. Thursday, May 21, 1942, the President of the Seminary presiding. The President of the Board of Superintendents read the scripture and offered prayer.

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the following students: George John Ammerman, William Babinsky, Isidor Topkins Beam, Herbert Wilkinson Gee, Herman Edward Luben, Edward William Meury, Francis Edward Potter, Dorr Leonard Van Etten,.

Upon the recommendation of the ~~Admission~~ Directors and Faculty the degree of Bachelor of Divinity was conferred upon each of these graduates.

The Commencement address was delivered by Dr. Irwin Jacob Lubbers, President of Central College, on the subject "Sky Pilots".

James E. Voorhees
President

Edna M. Thompson
Temporary Clerk

Jasper S. Hogan
Stated Clerk

May 1943

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary met in annual session Wednesday, May 19, 1943, at 2.00 P.M. in Sage Library.

ARTICLE I OPENING

The President, Rev. James E. Hoffman called the meeting to order. Rev. E. W. Thompson offered the opening prayer.

ARTICLE II ROLL CALL

CLASSES

The following members were present:

Albany
Bergen
Bergen, South
Greene
Hudson
Long Island, North
Long Island, South
Monmouth
Montgomery
Newark
New Brunswick
New York
Orange
Palisades
Paramus
Passaic
Philadelphia
Poughkeepsie
Raritan
Rensselaer
Rochester
Saratoga
Schenectady
Schoharie
Ulster
Westchester

Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Rev. James E. Hoffman

Rev. John J. Van Heest
Rev. Andrew A. Burkhardt
Rev. M. Eugene Flipse
Rev. Thomas Ten Hoeve

Rev. Walter S. Maines
Rev. John Y. Broek
Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. Ernest R. Palen
Rev. John W. Tysse
Rev. William Mager
Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Carl J. Schroeder
Rev. Abram Pepling
Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Rev. Thomas P. Haig
Rev. William E. Compton
Rev. Bartel Bylsma
Rev. Alfred Bentall
Rev. Anthony Van Westenburg
Rev. William R. Buitendorp
Rev. Arthur E. Oudemool
Rev. Elias W. Thompson

PARTICULAR SYNODS

Albany
Albany
Chicago
Iowa
New Brunswick
New Brunswick
New York
New York
Ex-officio

Elder Richard C. Kennedy

Rev. Gerritt De Motts

The President of the Faculty

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

By the rule of the Board the Vice-President, Rev. John S. Moore, succeeded to the office of president for the ensuing year. Rev. Elias W. Thompson was unanimously elected Vice-President, and Rev. James B. Mulder Temporary Clerk. It was voted that Mr. Hoffman continue to preside until the arrival of Mr. Moore, who was detained by a funeral service.

ARTICLE IV READING OF MINUTES AND RULES OF ORDER

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. On motion the reading of the Rules of Order was omitted.

ARTICLE V APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following Standing Committees were appointed by the presiding officer

REPORTS OF FACULTY AND DIRECTORS

Rev. Walter S. Maines Rev. Gerritt De Motts
 Elder Richard C. Kennedy

SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol Rev. John W. Tysse
 Rev. Vernon C. Nagel

SYNODICAL REPORT

Rev. William E. Compton Rev. William R. Buitendorp
 Rev. James B. Mulder

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Rev. John S. Moore Rev. Arthur E. Oudemool
 Rev. Thomas P. Haig Rev. James B. Mulder

EXAMINATIONS

Rev. Thomas P. Haig Rev. O. L. F. Mohn
 Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. Ernest Palen
 Rev. John S. Tysse Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
 Rev. John S. Moore Rev. Alfred Bentall
 Rev. Anthony Van Westenburg Rev. Carl J. Schroeder

INSTRUCTION

Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. Thomas P. Haig
 Rev. John S. Moore

ARTICLE VI COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was read from Prof. Milton J. Hoffman acknowledging the thanks of the Board for his valuable service in arranging for the members of the Faculty to visit the various Classes in the interest of the Seminary.

A communication was received from Rev. L. J. Borst, whose membership in the Board ends on account of his removal from the Classis of Passaic, expressing his "appreciation of the fellowship and gracious entertainment enjoyed when attending the Board meetings" and invoking God's blessing upon this School of the Prophets.

Communications were also received from the following Stated Clerks announcing the nominations of their Classes for unexpired terms: Rev. N. J. Burggraaff of the Classis of Passaic presenting the name of Rev. Carl J. Schroeder; Rev. Donald Boyce of the Classis of Albany reporting the name of Rev. Vernon O. Nagel, for the remainder of the term of Rev. M. Stephen James; from Rev. J. G. Addy of the South Classis of Long Island announcing the name of Rev. Thomas Ten Hoeve for the unexpired term of Rev. Leroy C. Brandt; also from Rev. C. E. Corwin of the Classis of New Brunswick presenting the name of Rev. James B. Mulder to succeed Rev. Daniel Y. Brink.

Rev. Bartel Bylsma was received as a corresponding member from the Classis of Rochester in the absence of Chaplain Johan Mulder.

The following letter was received from President Beardslee:

Fathers and Brethren:

Mr. John S. Bussing in his will bequeathed the General Synod in trust for the New Brunswick Theological Seminary a fund to endow the John S. Bussing Chair of Biblical Theology. The will continued to provide that "in case a Chair of Biblical Theology shall already have been endowed in said Seminary, then I authorize the said General Synod to use the said bequest to found such other Chair in said Seminary as shall be determined by the said General Synod, having due regard to the written unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of said Seminary". The teaching of Biblical Theology is already provided for in the Seminary plan and curriculum. No one is suggesting at the present time that provision for a permanent Chair of Biblical Theology would be wise.

The Chair of Homiletics and Pastoral Theology is entirely unnamed. would seem to be in perfect conformity to the intention and wording of the will to use the fund for the endowment of this Chair. The will provides that in case the money is used for any other purpose than the endowment of a Chair of Biblical Theology, due regard shall be paid by the General Synod to the written unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of said Seminary. On February 23, 1943, the Faculty unanimously passed the following resolution:

"RESOLVED: That it is our opinion that the money left the Seminary in the bequest of John S. Bussing could most profitably be used to endow a Chair of Homiletics and Pastoral Theology".

In sending this resolution of the Faculty to the General Synod, may we have the approval of the Superintendents?

Cordially your friend,
John W. Beardslee, Jr.

It was
VOTED, Unanimously to approve the above resolution.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

This report was presented by the chairman Rev. M. Eugene Flipse:

The Committee on the Admission of Students of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary met, with the Faculty, on Wednesday, September 23rd at 5.00 P. M. in the Seminary office.

Those present were: from the Faculty President Beardslee, Professors Weber, Rylaarsdam, Hoffman; from the committee, the Reverends Flipse, Moore, Hoffman. The Reverend Borst also met with the committee.

President Beardslee reported of the faculty activity in admitting students since the last meeting of the committee.

His report included:

Paul Frazer - lacks full college credit. Advised to finish college work and apply again for admission.

Ralph Cordes - Central College - admitted as of January, 1943.

Calvin De Vries - Hope College - admitted as of September, 1943

John Ter Louw - admitted as of September, 1942

Eugene Ten Brink - admitted as of September, 1942

James Muddle @ Hope College - no action taken

Louis Chisman - Hope College - admitted as of September, 1943

Harland Steel - Hope College - admitted as of completion of college course

Albert Shephard - associated with Marble Church - not admitted.

Constantine Rankevich - druggist - no action taken.

Richard Vos - Central College - admitted as of January, 1943

Dr. Beardslee also reported on several students who had made application for admission and had later decided to enter other Seminaries.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. J. S. Moore and adjourned shortly after six for the opening dinner and the evening service at which time Rev. L. J. Borst delivered the opening address on "Being God's Mind".

The Faculty was authorized to pass on later applications.

The Faculty later acted on the following students:

Mr. Oliver John Droppers was received on December 26, 1942 as a pre-theological student of the Seminary. He is the son of the Reverend Oliver G. Droppers of the Cleveland, Ohio, Church. He attended Hope College from 1934-1936, was graduated with A. B. cum laude from the Western Reserve University 1938, received his M. A. from Western Reserve in June 1940, and entered the Graduate School of Theology in Oberlin College June 8th, 1942 having applied for admission there February 27th, 1942. A letter from Hope College and also from Dr. Willard D. Brown of the Board of Education certify as to his intention of entering the ministry. Donald Swartwout of Central College, member of the 3rd Church of Albany and recommended by his pastor, the Reverend E. T. Jones, and by President

Lubbers was on vote of the Faculty admitted on October 9, 1942, as a pre-theological student of the Seminary.

On December 22, 1942, it was voted to receive Mr. Richard Hine, Jr. as a pre-theological student of the Seminary. He is a sophomore at Hope College expecting to be graduated in June, 1945. He is also a beneficiary of our Board of Education.

On November 25, 1942, it was voted to receive Charles Wm. Krahe, Jr. as a pre-theological student of the Seminary. He is a member of the Steinway Reformed Church, Long Island, of which the Reverend John H. DeBoer is pastor. He is attending Hamilton College, and expects to be ready to enter the Seminary in September 1944 and gives promise as a brilliant and personable student.

John E. Lucius, of Hope College, a member of the Reverend B. J. Folensbee's church in Flushing, New York, was voted to be received as a pre-theological student of the Seminary as of Wednesday, October 7th, 1942.

At a special meeting on December 24, 1942, it was voted to receive Mr. William Matthews as a pre-theological student of the Seminary. He is a Junior at Queen's College, Flushing, L. I. and a member of the Reverend Thomas Ten Hoeve's Church in Brooklyn. He is also a beneficiary of our Board of Education.

On January 22, 1943 Mr. Leonard Alexander Sibley, Jr., son of the Reverend Leonard A. Sibley of Jersey City presented his papers through Dr. Beardslee for status as a pre-theological student who expects to enter the Seminary in September 1944. He is now at Hope College. The Faculty voted to enroll him as a pre-theological student.

Two college students appeared before the Faculty seeking acceptance as pre-theological students, Donner Bates Atwood and George Jacob Holler. They were duly received by the Faculty on Oct. 9, 1942, after the usual questioning.

At the meeting of January 22, 1943, the President offered the name of Wilbur Ray Brandli as a pre-theological student. He is a member of the Reverend Gerard C. Pool's church of Union City by whom he is recommended as well as by Mr. Fred Bauer of that church. He is a freshman in Hope College, twenty-five years of age. It was moved to accept him as a pre-theological student of this Seminary.

On December 31, 1942 Malcolm Richard Evans was present to ask to be received as a pre-theological student. He is the son of the Reverend David R. Evans of the Somerville, New Jersey, Reformed Church and is a freshman in Lafayette College, expecting to be graduated in June, 1945, or January, 1945. He is eighteen years of age. A letter dated December 7, 1942 from the Consistory of his father's church certifies that he entered college with the ministry in view. Also a letter from the Mass. Christian Endeavor Union to Reverend Evans dated July 17, 1940, testified that at Northfield Malcolm consecrated himself to full time Christian service. A statement by Malcolm himself dated August, 1941, disclosed that he had dedicated himself to some kind of Christian service. His college record for the first semester 1942-1943 shows his grades as fairly good. It was voted to receive him as a pre-theological student.

Rowland Wickes Folensbee appeared on November 25, 1942, to ask to be granted the status of pre-theological student. He has been thinking of the ministry for seven years. He is the son of Chaplain Folensbee, and a member of the Flushing, N. Y., Reformed Church of which the Reverend John C. DeMaagd is pastor. He is a sophomore at Rutgers and expects to be graduated in June, 1945, or 1944 if he should accelerate his course. It was voted to receive him as a pre-theological student of the Seminary.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY TO THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS May 19, 1943

The following eight students were graduated with the B. D. degree and awarded the Professorial Certificate at the Commencement, May 21, 1942:

George John Ammerman
 William Babinsky
 Isidor Topkins Beam
 Herbert Wilkinson Gee
 Herman Edward Luben
 Edward William Meury
 Francis Edward Potter
 Dorr Leonard Van Etten

Red Bank, N. J.
 High Bridge, N. J.
 Montrose, N. Y.
 Monsey, N. Y.
 Baldwin, N. Y.
 Port Jervis, N. Y.
 Park Ridge, N. J.
 Kerkonksen, N. Y.

The enrollment of the Seminary during the academic year, 1942-1943

SENIOR CLASS

Harvey Frederick Ammerman	A. B. Central 1940	Clara City, Minn.
Andrew Branche, Jr.	Alabama State Teachers '32	Montgomery, Ala.
Marvin Bernard Cady	A. B. Central 1939	Harrison, S. D.
Robert Gordon Dickson	A. B. Rutgers 1940	Brooklyn, N. Y.
John Dean Dykstra	A. B. Hope 1940	Grand Rapids, Mich.
Orville Jay Hine	A. B. Hope 1939	Chicago, Ill.
	A. M. Boston, 1940	
John Henry Ludlum, Jr.	A. B. Rutgers 1939	Albany, N. Y.
Edwin Marion Luidens	A. B. Hope 1940	Rochester, N. Y.
Peter Nicholas Vanden Berge	A. B. Hope 1937	Kalamazoo, Mich.
	A. M. Nebraska 1938	

In addition to these regular students the following were enrolled in the Senior Class but took selected courses:

Rev. Ladislaus Egly	Gymnasium Satoraljausholy Woodbridge, N. J.
	Theological Seminary Sarospatak
Rev. Solomon H. Hill	A. B. Wilberforce 1931 New Brunswick, N. J.
	B. D. Wilberforce 1935, A. M. Drew 1942
Rev. Bruce Gibson McGraw	A. B. Bucknell 1939 Somerville, N. J.
Rev. Victor Whitney Skaggs	A. B. Salem 1940 Dunellen, N. J.

MIDDLE CLASS

John Paul Ailts	A. B. Central 1940	Lakota, Iowa
Gordon Maynard Aldrich	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Hasbrouck Heights
Harry John Almond	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Glen Ridge, N. J.
Frank Palmer Beardslee	A. B. Bloomfield 1940	New Brunswick, N. J.
Richard Delmer Beving	A. B. Central 1941	Wellsburg, Iowa
Peter Bol	A. B. Hope 1941	Holland, Mich.
Robert Clementz	A. B. Bloomfield 1941	Hoboken, N. J.
Siebolt Wm. Duitsman	A. B. Dubuque 1941	Clara City, Minn.
John Dykstra	A. B. Central 1941	Detroit, Mich.
Harold Russell Fuss	A. B. Wm. Jennings Bryan 1940	Beverly, N. J.
Marion Gerard Gosselink	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Rocky Hill, N. J.
Dwight Norman Grotenhouse	A. B. Hope 1941	Orange City, Ia.
Herbert Jacob Guth	A. B. Dubuque 1941	German Valley, Ia.
William Mill Hunter	A. B. Central 1941	Ridgefield, N. J.
Roger Beverly Juckett	A. B. Rutgers 1941	New Paltz, N. Y.
Jay Roland Kapenga	A. B. Hope 1941	Holland, Mich.
Forest Roosevelt Prindle	A. B. Hope 1941	Schuylerville, N. J.
Albert George Shiphorst	A. B. Hope 1941	Oakland, N. J.
Stanley Swan Slingerland	A. B. Hope 1941	Riverdale, N. J.
Richard Munn Suffern	A. B. Haverford 1935	Suffern, N. Y.
	Ph. D. Johns Hopkins 1940	
Wynfield Blair Sutphin	A. B. Montclair St. Teachers 1941	Marlboro, N. J.
Norman Edwin Thomas	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Brooklyn, N. Y.

JUNIOR CLASS

Ralph R. Henry Cordes	A. B. Central 1943	Titonka, Iowa
Howard Garberich Hageman	A. B. Harvard 1942	Albany, N. Y.
Wilfrid Hathaway Hasbrouck	A. B. Hope 1941	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Wilbur Ervin Ivins	A. B. Central 1942	Feasterville, Pa.
Blaise Leval	A. B. Hope 1942	Passaic, N. J.

Douglas Robertson Macdonald	A. B. Hope 1941	Flushing, N. Y.
Vernon Jesse Meerdink	A. B. Hope 1942	Clymer, N. Y.
Norbert Austin Moke	A. B. Central 1942	Plainfield, N. J.
LeRoy Nixon, Jr.	A. B. Central 1941	Newtown, Pa.
Lorenz Alexander Proli	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Bogota, N. J.
Norman Robert Riley	A. B. King's College 1942	Bradley Beach, N. J.
Garrett Cornell Roorda	A. B. Central 1941	Denver, Colo.
Eugene Lester Ten Brink	A. B. Hope 1942	Hudsonville, Mich.
John Walter Ter Louw	A. B. Central 1942	Steen, Minn.
Harold James Vande Berg	A. B. Central 1942	Hospers, Iowa
Richard Nance Vos	A. B. Central 1943	Roseland, Minn.

The total enrollment for the year was 51: Seniors 13, Middlers 22, and Juniors 16. The Rev. Mr. Egry is pastor of the Hungarian Reformed Church (U.S.) in Woodbridge, N. J. The Rev. Mr. McGraw is a Baptist minister of Smoerville, N. J. The Rev. Mr. Hill is pastor of the A.M.E. Church in New Brunswick, and the Rev. Mr. Skaggs is a Seventh Day Baptist minister in Plainfield, N. J. Mr. Fuss of the Middle Class came to us from the Methodist Church as did also Mr. Riley of the Junior Class, In February Mr. Grotenhouse withdrew from the Seminary to enter the army. Thirteen of the students are on a four year schedule, one in the Senior Class, six in the Middle Class and six in the Junior Class. Several of the Professors met a group of the ladies of the Seminary circle as they did last year once a week for readings and discussions. Dr. Beardslee met a special group of advanced students one hour a week for readings in Ephesians. Mr. Bishop met different groups of students for extra study of Hebrew and German.

The Juniors as in other years were assigned to various churches to work with the pastors in the church school and Young People's Societies. The ministers met with the Faculty in March to review the work of these students, and the students in turn were asked to give a written report of the field in which they worked as it appeared to them.

Professor Bayles had the appointment and supervision of the summer work of the students and received some excellent commendations from the churches thus served.

Professor Rylaarsdam arranged for a Retreat at Bernardsville for students and Faculty in the Fall, at which Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo addressed the group following an impressive worship service conducted by the students.

During the year various students attended the following conferences:

Student Interseminary Conference at Lancaster, Pa., Nov. 5, 6 and 7.

Conference on Visual Education in New York, Nov. 16th.

New Jersey State Home for Boys, Jamesburg, N. J., April 8th.

Conference on the State of the Jews in Europe, Union Seminary, N. Y.

and the Hebrew Theological Seminary, N. Y., Feb. 22nd.

Owing to the large number of students this year each student preached but once in the chapel, professors taking turns at conducting the criticism period after the service. The Seniors and Middlers also led the daily chapel devotions twice and the Juniors each once during the year. The students also took charge of the nurses' morning chapel service and the afternoon devotions in the wards of the Middlesex General Hospital each Wednesday during March and April.

The students again requested the Faculty members to conduct a preaching service once a month to which the Faculty acceded. They also planned communion services at Christmas, Thanksgiving, Ash Wednesday and Easter. The first was conducted by Professor Bayles; the second by the Rev. L. J. Vander Hill; the third by Professor James and the last by the Rev. Gerrett J. Wulschlegler.

The student preaching and chapel offerings for the year amounted to \$426.80. Out of this fund gifts were sent as follows:

World Student Service Fund \$44.57; R.C.A. Emergency Fund \$150.00;

Conscientious Objectors Fund \$135.00; R.C.A. War Relief \$50.02.

FACULTY ACTIVITIES

In addition to the regular courses given by the Faculty, Professor Bayles gave a one hour course in Homiletics the first semester to the Junior Class. Dr. Norman Vincent Peale gave the Alumni course on preaching to the Senior and Middle Classes. The Rev. Oscar Maddaus gave a course in Social Christianity for Seniors and Middlers. Dr. Richard Munn Suffern taught beginning Greek and the Rev. Edward H. Bishop beginning Hebrew. Dr. William H. S. Demarest gave six lectures to the Senior Class on the History and Constitution of the Reformed Church in America. Dr. Milton T. Stauffer taught a Non-Christian Religions course to Seniors and Middlers. Dr. James began his work as Professor of Homiletics and Practical Theology at the beginning of the second semester.

Occasional lectures and speakers this year included: Rev. Gerard M. Van Pernis, Rev. Abram Muste, Rev. G. A. Watermulder, Rev. Gerret Wullschleger, Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer, Dr. Frederick Zimmerman, and Dr. Henry A. Vruwink. The Rev. Lawrence J. Borst of the First Holland Church of Passaic, N. J., gave the opening address in September. The Rev. W. Carman Trembath of Teaneck, N. J., gave a lecture and demonstration of his use of visual educational methods.

Professor Beardslee gave eight lectures on the Teaching of Jesus, in the Congregational Church of Chatham to the Morristown larger parish.

Professor Weber taught a class in Rutgers University extension department in Character Education in the Public School. He also gave ten lectures in the Elizabeth, N. J., Training School for Church School Leaders on "The Bases for a Just and Durable Peace".

Professor Hope gave five lectures on the Carew Foundation in the Hartford Theological Seminary.

To acquaint the churches with the work and the needs of the Seminary, members of the Faculty visited the Classes in their Fall or Spring meetings which had not been seen last year. In October the ministers and elders of the Passaic Classis came to New Brunswick, had dinner with the students and Faculty and after a brief service in the chapel, were conducted through the buildings and the library. The fruit of these contacts with the classes and local churches is beginning to be seen in the interest and contributions of the churches evidencing a renewed fellowship between the Seminary and the churches which it is designed to serve.

A successful Ministers' Conference was held September 21 and 22, at which Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr spoke on "The Message of the Gospel to Every Age" and "The Relation of the Gospel to the Problems of Our Age." Dr. Norman Vincent Peale addressed the conference on "Personal Counselling in Our Distracted Times". Dr. Luman J. Shafer spoke to the question: "How Does the Christian Faith Guide Us to Intelligent Decisions, Now and in the Days to Come".

Professor Rylaarsdam was appointed the Faculty representative on the Corporation of the American Oriental Schools of which the Seminary is a member.

The formal induction in their respective Professorships of Dr. M. Stephen James and the Rev. John Coert Rylaarsdam will constitute a part of this year's commencement program with Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo, President of General Synod, in charge.

Three Youths' Conferences were held on the Seminary campus last summer. The New Jersey Rural Ministers' Conference was also a guest of the Seminary during their three day meeting in June.

The Following awards for excellence of scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships: Senior Class - John Henry Ludlum, Jr.
Middle Class - Norman Edwin Thomas
Junior Class - Howard Garberich Hageman

The Doolittle Prize in New Testament - Roger Beverly Juckett

The Lodewick Prize for Preaching - Andrew Branche, Jr.

The Doolittle Prize in New Test. - Frank Palmer Beardslee

" " " " " Norman Edwin Thomas

Signed - William A. Weber, Secretary of the Faculty

The Report of the Faculty was received and referred to the Committee of Faculty and Directors Report.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS, TREASURER AND LIBRARIAN

These reports were presented for information and will be printed in full in the Minutes of General Synod 1943.

ARTICLE VII

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS

Rev. T. F. Haig, chairman of the committee, reported that the Committee on Examinations had followed the custom of visiting the various class rooms during the winter and had followed the new plan (Article VIII) this year for the final examinations. Their recommendation was approved that Professorial Certificates be granted to the members of the Senior Class and that the other classes be advanced in course, subject to any exceptions made by the Faculty.

ARTICLE VIII

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Your special committee, appointed to devise a more satisfactory method, in conference with the Professor of Practical Theology, for the examination of the members of the Senior Class in preaching and their reasons for entering the Christian Ministry, submits the following report:

The committee met on April 29 at the home of Dr. James. After considering the matter carefully, the following plan was devised:

That the Committee on Examinations should meet on Tuesday preceding commencement at 2 P. M. At this meeting the final examination papers and the Senior theses of the graduates will be read by members of the committee. The members of the committee who received and examined the sermons of the graduates will also report their findings at this meeting.

Tuesday evening the committee will meet to discuss the papers, the thesis, the sermon of the students and the students themselves. The chairman of the Committee on Examinations will assign a member of the committee to interview the graduate whose paper and theme he read.

At the Wednesday night meeting of the Board of Superintendents, each student will be asked to present a five minute talk on his ideas of the Ministry, the reasons that led him to choose the Ministry as a life's work, or he may use this opportunity to give a personal testimony of his Christian experience. The student will be notified to this effect in advance by the Professor of Practical Theology so that he may give careful thought and preparation to this five minute presentation.

After the student retires from the meeting on Wednesday night, the President will call for a report on the student from the man who read his papers and thesis and interviewed him. If a second member of the Board of Superintendents examined and read the student's sermon, he may be called on for a report. Then a motion to approve the examination and recommend the student for his Professorial Certificate will be considered by the Board of Superintendents.

Your committee recommends that this plan be used for the examination of Senior students in May, 1943.

Respectfully submitted

Jasper S. Hogan
Thomas P. Haig
John S. Moore, Chairman

It was

VOTED, That this plan be adopted.

ARTICLE IX

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Rev. Walter S. Maines, chairman of the Committee on Faculty and Directors Reports, presented the following:

The Report of the Faculty to the Directors and to the Board of Super-

intendents have been referred to this committee and have been carefully read by each member of the committee.

These reports indicate not only that the usual activities of the Seminary year have been carried out faithfully, according to schedule; but also reveal the evidence of a hearty, progressive development and advancement in the various phases of Seminary life and work.

We note with pleasure and commend highly the indications that a high scholastic standard is being maintained; and are particularly impressed with the evidences of deep religious conviction and spiritual fervor reflected by the student body.

Inasmuch as copies of these reports are in the hands of each individual member of the Board we do not believe that any further comment is necessary.

Walter S. Maines
Richard C. Kennedy
Gerritt DeMotts - Committee

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES

Your committee report that after making an examination of the Minutes of the General Synod of 1942 we find nothing to which the special attention of this Board should be called.

Cornelius Van Tol
Vernon O. Nagel
John Tysse - Committee

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL REPORT

This committee can only present a bare outline of the Report of the Board of Superintendents which is printed in the Minutes of General Synod and must of necessity be completed in detail by the Stated Clerk of this Board. It was voted that this committee should be discontinued and hereafter the work be left entirely in the hands of the Stated Clerk.

William E. Compton
William R. Buitendorp
James B. Mulder - Committee

ARTICLE X NEW BUSINESS

The members of the Faculty were welcomed at the afternoon session. President Beardslee emphasized the financial needs of the Seminary and said there were some things which had been omitted this year because they had determined not to incur any debt. Professor Hoffman reported an increased interest among the churches in the Seminary due to the arrangement for the professors to address the various Classes at their regular meetings, and also to the planned visits of the church officers as arranged by the Seminary to spend a few hours at the institution. Professor Weber spoke of the work of the Juniors in the local churches to which they had been assigned and their sincere appreciation of the seriousness of it; also of the spiritual tone in the chapel services and in all the work of the Seminary. Other members of the Faculty also spoke briefly.

This was followed by the preliminary procedure in the installation of Professors of Theology in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. The letters of dismissal from their respective Classes were presented to the Stated Clerk of General Synod by Rev. John Coert Rylaarsdam and Rev. M. Stephen James, D. D., after which they signed the formula in Section 33 of the Constitution, - the formal installation to take place in connection with the Commencement exercises on Thursday.

It was voted to recommend to the Directors that they nominate Rev. Thomas P. Haig to the General Synod to succeed Rev. M. Eugene Flips as a member of that body representing this Board. This action was taken

in view of the fact that Mr. Flipse stated that his membership in the Board will terminate with this meeting after twenty years of continuous service.

In recognition of Mr. Flipse's services the Board passed the following: RESOLVED, That the Board of Superintendents make special and permanent record of the fine and self-sacrificing service rendered to the Seminary by the Rev. M. Eugene Flipse. From the first of his years of membership he has given the Board the benefit of his wise counsel and his thorough execution of the plans for the closer relationship of this Board with the Directors of the Seminary. We regret his retirement and thank God for his fellowship and help.

After a discussion regarding the custom of some of the Classes to bear the traveling expenses of their representative in attending the meetings of this Board, the President and Stated Clerk were requested to devise some method of calling the attention of all of the Classes to this obligation.

Again the members of the Board enjoyed the hospitality of President and Mrs. Beardslee at a reception in their home at the close of the afternoon session. A hearty vote of thanks to our hosts was voted and also to the Students' Co-operative for their share in our gracious entertainment.

ARTICLE XI CLOSING

All of the sessions of the Board were opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE XII ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was ordered at the close of the Commencement exercises which were held in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University, at 11.45 A. M., Thursday, May 20, 1943, the President of the Seminary presiding.

The President of the Board, Rev. John S. Moore, read the scripture and offered prayer.

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the following graduates: Harvey Frederick Ammerman, Andrew Branche, Jr., Marvin Bernard Cady, Robert Gordon Dickson, John Dean Dykstra, Orville Jay Hine, John Henry Ludlum, Jr. (cum laude), Edwin Marion Luidens, Peter Nicholas Vanden Berge. Upon the recommendation of the Faculty, the Directors conferred the degree of Bachelor of Divinity upon each of these graduates and also upon Rev. Frank Avery Huff, New Brunswick 1928.

The Commencement address was delivered by Rev. Abbe Livingston Warnshuis, New Brunswick 1900.

Rev. Joseph Richard Sizoo, New Brunswick 1910, President of General Synod, conducted the Service of Installation of Rev. John Coert Rylaarsdam, New Brunswick 1938, as Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis, and Rev. M. Stephen James as Professor of Homiletics and Pastoral Theology.

John S. Moore
President

James B. Mulder
Temporary Clerk

Jasper S. Hogan
Stated Clerk

May 1944

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary met in annual session in the Sage Library Wednesday, May 17, 1944, 2.00

ARTICLE I OPENING

Rev. John S. Moore, the President, called the meeting to order and offered the opening prayer.

ARTICLE II ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

CLERGY

Albany	Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Bergen	Rev. John J. Soeter
Bergen, South	Rev. William R. Hart
Greene	Rev. Walter E. Roughgarden
Hudson	Rev. Cornelius J. Meyer
Long Island, North	Rev. Jacob J. Sessler
Long Island, South	Rev. Thomas Ten Hoeve
Monmouth	Rev. Otto L. F. Mohan
Montgomery	Rev. Walter S. Maines
Newark	Rev. John Y. Broek
New Brunswick	Rev. James B. Mulder
New York	
Orange	Rev. John W. Tysse
Palisades	Rev. William Mager
Paramus	Rev. John S. Moore
Passaic	Rev. Carl J. Schroeder
Philadelphia	
Poughkeepsie	Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Raritan	Rev. Thomas P. Haig
Rensselaer	Rev. William E. Compton
Rochester	Rev. Willis J. Vander Kooi
Saratoga	Rev. Nelson P. Van Raalte
Schenectady	Rev. Anthony Van Westenburg
Schoharie	Rev. William R. Buitendorp
Ulster	Rev. Arthur E. Oudemool
Westchester	Rev. Elias W. Thompson

PARTICULAR SYNODS

Albany	Elder Richard C. Kennedy
Albany	
Chicago	
Iowa	
New Brunswick	Rev. Henry E. Schoon
New Brunswick	Elder Harry B. Dunlap
New York	
New York	
Ex-officio	

The President of the Seminary

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

Rev. Elias W. Thompson, the Vice-President, succeeded to the office of President by the rule of the Board. Rev. Jacob J. Sessler was elected Vice-President and Rev. William E. Compton became Temporary Clerk.

ARTICLE IV

READING OF MINUTES AND RULES OF ORDER

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. On motion the reading of the Rules of Order was omitted.

ARTICLE V APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

REPORTS OF FACULTY AND DIRECTORS

Rev. Walter S. Maines
Elder Harry B. Dunlap

Rev. Thomas Ten Hoeve

SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Walter E. Roughgarden
Elder Richard C. Kennedy

Rev. John J. Soeter

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Thomas P. Haig

Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. Arthur E. Oudemool

EXAMINATIONS

Rev. Thomas P. Haig
Rev. John V. Broek
Rev. John W. Tysse
Rev. Jacob J. Sessler
Rev. John S. Moore

Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn
Rev. Ernest R. Palen
Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Rev. Carl J. Schroeder
Rev. John J. Soeter

INSTRUCTION

Rev. John V. Broek
Rev. John S. Moore

Rev. Thomas P. Haig

ARTICLE VI COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Stated Clerk of the Classis of Saratoga stating that Rev. Nelson P. Van Raalte had been nominated to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Alfred Bental.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

The following report was presented by the chairman, Rev. J. S. Moore: At a special meeting on May 21, 1943, the Faculty voted to receive the following two students as pre-theological students to enter the Seminary in the fall of 1945;

MR. Harry J. Hall, a member of the First Reformed Church of Albany, recommended both by his church and by the Classis of Albany at its meeting in November, 1942. Mr. Hall entered Rutgers University in July of this year. In January he asked his Draft Board to change his status to I-A. This is equivalent to enlisting in the Army. He was inducted in the Army in the winter of 1943.

Mr. Harold Peter De Roo, 374 No. 8th St., Prospect Park, N. J., a member of the Second Reformed Church of Paterson and recommended by his pastor, Dr. George Kroeze. Mr. De Roo had finished a year's study at Hope College and transferred to Rutgers University. It is expected that Mr. De Roo, now classified by his Draft Board as IV-D, will enter the Seminary in September 1945.

On June 11, the Faculty voted to admit Mr. Joseph De Neve to pre-theological status as of June 7, 1943. He was recommended by the Rev. Martin A. Punt of Rochester, New York, his former pastor. Mr. De Neve who was a student at Hope College, is now in the armed services.

On June 11 Mr. Calvin S. Malefyt, a freshman at Union College, N. Y., also requested admission as a pre-theological student. He is the son of the Rev. Paul Malefyt of West Nyack, N. Y. Reformed Church. The President was asked to seek further information regarding him from Professor Ligon of Union College. On the basis of this further information Mr. Malefyt was regularly accepted as a pre-theological student on July 9th,

Mr. Carl Russell Sayers of our Bronxville Reformed Church, a student at Columbia University, was recommended by his pastor, Dr. Powell, as a pre-theological student to enter this Seminary in January 1946. He is at present classified as II-A by his Draft Board. On October 8th it was voted to accept him as a pre-theological student.

On November 10th the President called a special meeting of the Faculty after Chapel to set a time to meet Mr. George Watt, a pre-theological student of Somerville, N. J., and a Junior in Rutgers University. He is to enter the Seminary in October 1945. It was agreed to leave the details of the examination of this student to the President and the Secretary. On Thursday evening, November 11th, it was voted to receive him as a pre-theological student to begin his study in the Seminary in the fall of 1945, this subject to the receipt of his college papers. These papers were duly received and are on file. Mr. Watt's draft classification is IV-F.

On January 7, 1944, the Faculty voted to receive as a regular student of the Seminary Mr. Fred R. Buseman, a member of the Aplinton Reformed Church of Aplington, Iowa. Mr. Buseman began his work at the commencement of the second semester, January 27, 1944. He presented an encouraging letter from his pastor and a transcript of his credits at Central College from which he graduated in January, 1944.

On January 21, 1944, Mr. William Gillies Kalaidjian applied for admission to the Seminary. He is a member of our Nyack Church and was just graduated from the Nyack High School. His high school record and a letter from his pastor, Dr. Neely Ross, were found in order. The Faculty voted to accept him as a pre-theological student to begin residence at New Brunswick upon completion of as much work as Selective Service regulations would permit at Trinity College which he expected to enter on March 1st. In February Mr. Kalaidjian enlisted in the Navy V-5 program hoping to transfer to Navy V-12 which will open the opportunity for him to be a Navy chaplain.

On February 4th the Faculty in special session met Mr. Marinus Van Weele of the Reformed Church of West Sayville, N. Y., a student at Brothers College, expecting to complete his course for the A. B. degree on February 24th of this year, and applying for admission to the Seminary. The Faculty agreed that although Mr. Van Weele would begin his work a few weeks late, under the special circumstances of the war emergency it would be best for him to begin his resident study as soon as possible. He was therefore admitted as a pre-theological student, to begin resident study at New Brunswick immediately on the completion of his work at Brothers College. Mr. Van Weele is classified by his Draft Board as IV-D.

On March 23d the Faculty voted to admit Mr. John H. Boyle, Jr., a student at Bucknell College, as a pre-theological student. Mr. Boyle is a member of the Marble Collegiate Church. Dr. Peale wrote that he had the intention of studying for the ministry for several years and that he thought him a promising candidate for the ministry.

On March 23d the Faculty also voted to admit as pre-theological student Mr. Alan Christian Staver of the Niskayuna Church, Schenectady, N. Y. He is in his second year at Hope College. He has very high grades and was warmly recommended by his pastor.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY

Report of the Faculty to the Board of Superintendents - May 17, 1944

At the Commencement on May 20, 1943 the following nine students were graduated with the B. D. degree and awarded the Professorial Certificate:

Harvey Frederick Ammerman	Coytesville, N. J.
Andrew Branche, Jr.	Brewton, Ala.
Marvin Bernard Cady	Hicksville, N. Y.
Robert Gordon Dickson	Hurley, N. Y.

John Dean Dykstra
Orville Jay Hine
John Henry Ludlum cum laude
Edwin Marion Luidens
Peter Nicholas Vande Berge

Kingston, N. Y.
New Brunswick, N. J.
New York, N. Y.
Princeton, N. J.
Walden, N. Y.

In addition to these the B. D. degree was awarded to Rev. Frank Avery Huff, of Paterson, N. J., of the class of 1928, he having received the A. B. degree from Hope College in 1942.

The enrollment of the Seminary during the past academic year was as follows:

SENIOR CLASS

Gordon Maynard Aldrich	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
Harry John Almond	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Glen Ridge, N. J.
Frank Palmer Beardslee	A. B. Bloomfield 1940	New Brunswick, N. J.
Peper Bol	A. B. Hope 1941	Holland, Mich.
Robert Clementz	A. B. Bloomfield 1942	Hoboken, N. J.
Siebolt William Duitsman	A. B. Dubuque 1941	Clara City, Minn.
John Dykstra	A. B. Central 1941	Detroit, Mich.
Harold Russell Fuss	A. B. Wm. Jennings Bryan, 1940	Beverly, N. J.
Marion Gerard Gosselink, Jr.	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Rocky Hill, N. J.
Herbert Jacob Guth	A. B. Dubuque 1941	German Valley, Ill.
William Mill Hunter	A. B. Central 1941	Richmond, S.I., N. Y.
Roger Beverly Juckett	A. B. Rutgers 1941	New Paltz, N. Y.
Jay Roland Kapenga	A. B. Hope 1941	Zeeland, Mich.
Richard Eugene Shearer	A. B. & Th.B. 1943	Connellsville, Pa.
	Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary	
Norman Edwin Thomas	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Brooklyn, N. Y.

MIDDLE CLASS

Richard Delmar Beving	A. B. Central 1941	Wellsburg, Iowa
Howard Garberich Hageman	A. B. Harvard 1942	Albany, N. Y.
Wilfrid Hathaway Hasbrouck	A. B. Hope 1941	Foughkeepsie, N. Y.
Wilbur Ervin Ivins	A. B. Central 1942	Feasterville, Pa.
Blase Levai	A. B. Hope 1942	Passaic, N. J.
Vernon Jesse Meerdink	A. B. Hope 1942	Clymer, N. Y.
Norbert Austin Moke	A. B. Central 1942	Plainfield, N. J.
Le Roy Nixon	A. B. Central 1941	Newtown, Pa.
Forrest Roosevelt Prindle	A. B. Hope 1941	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Lorenz Alexander Proli	A. B. Rutgers 1941	Bogota, N. J.
Garrett Cornell Roorda	A. B. Central 1941	Denver, Colo.
Albert George Shiphorst	A. B. Hope 1941	Oakland, N. J.
Stanley Swan Slingerland	A. B. Hope 1941	Riverdale, N. J.
Winfield Blair Sutphin	A.B. Montclair Teachers 1941	Marlboro, N.J.
Eugene Lester Ten Brink	A. B. Hope 1942	Hudsonville, Mich.
John Walter Ter Louw	A. B. Central 1942	Steen, Minn.
Harold James Vande Berg	A. B. Central 1942	Hospers, Iowa

JUNIOR CLASS

Elmer Bert Bonte	A. B. Central 1943	Bristow, Iowa
Fred R. Buseman	A. B. Central 1944	Aplington, Iowa
Louis Henry Chisman	A. B. Hope 1943	Keyport, N. J.
Ralph Richard Henry Cordes	A.B. Central 1943	Titonka, Iowa
Calvin Thomas De Vries	A. B. Hope 1943	Sibley, Iowa
John Hart	A. B. Rutgers 1943	Jersey City, N. J.
John Richard Hawkins, Jr	A. B. Rutgers 1943	Albany, N. Y.
Henry Christian Kreutzer	A. B. Rutgers 1943	Yonkers, N. Y.
Douglas Robertson MacDonald	A. B. Hope 1941	Flushing, N. Y.
William Matthews		Richmond Hill, N. Y.
Norman Robert Riley	A.P. King's College 1942	Bradley Beach, N. J.

Donald Boyce Swartout
 Marinus Van Weele
 Richard Nance Vos

A. B. Central 1944
 A. B. Central 1943

Greenville, N. Y.
 West Sayville, L.I., N.
 Roseland, Minn.

The total enrollment for the year was 46: 15 in the Senior Class; 17 in the Middle Class; and 14 in the Junior Class. Fourteen students are on the "four-year basis" as they are serving churches regularly as student pastors.

Four students came at the beginning of the second semester because of the present accelerated program of their college, Mr. Swartout and Mr. Buseman from Central College and Mr. Matthews from Queens College, where he still has a few hours work to make up before receiving his diploma, and Mr. Van Weele from Brothers College.

Mr. Harry Almond was appointed as a short term missionary to Basrah and he left the Seminary before the close of the first semester to take up his work.

Mr. John Ailts who was a member of the present Senior Class transferred to Dubuque University to finish his theological training in the Seminary there.

Mr. Richard Suffern having completed his course here with the exception of six semester hours was given permission to take that work at the Biblical Seminary in New York where he had an opportunity to teach. He will be graduated from our Seminary on completion of this work.

Mr. Richard Shearer came to us from the Eastern Baptist Seminary where he had had two years of theological study. He is taking our Senior course with the view to being graduated from our Seminary.

The health of students and Faculty has been generally good this year, no serious or prolonged illness developing. There was one case that required hospitalization when one of the students had an appendicitis.

The attitude of the students toward their studies has on the whole been good. While there has been some tardiness in the completion of Senior Theses, the students have generally sensed their responsibility to do creditable work especially since they have been privileged by the government to finish their professional training. They have taken commendable initiative in certain activities such as the development of a Seminary Choir under the able leadership of Mr. Howard Hageman of the Middle Class; planning several Communion Services and Communion Breakfasts with an outside minister officiating; conducting chapel services in the Middlesex General Hospital, besides taking their turn in leading our daily chapel in the Seminary conducting services in the Wray Chapel and for the Salvation Army. The Students Lounge was refurbished by the students under the industrious direction of Mr. Proli of the Middle Class who did a large part of the work and all of the planning himself. The Book Store and the Dining Hall have been reorganized as cooperative enterprises. The students also issued a pamphlet "The Voice" which was widely distributed and is a most worthy advertisement of our school. Four students attended the annual meeting of the Atlantic Section of the Inter-Seminary Movement of the U. S. November 4, 5 and 6 at Crozer Seminary, Chester, Pa.

In addition to the regular courses taught by the Faculty the following courses were given this year: a 2 hour course on Social Christianity by the Rev. Abraham Muste; a one hour course on preaching by Dr. Sizoo; a two hour course in Missions by Dr. Stauffer; six lectures on the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America by Dr. Demarest. Mr. Donald Wheeler Professor of Public Speaking in Princeton Seminary was engaged to teach the second semester but unfortunately became seriously ill at Mid-Semester, and was unable to continue through the term. Mr. Bishop has taught beginning Hebrew to the Middlers and to a number of Juniors who elected it. Mr. Hageman has taught the Beginning Greek to the students who did not have it in their college course.

Occasional lecturers this year were: Dr. John Van Ess, Dr. Luman Shafer, Dr. F. M. Potter, Dr. Henry A. Poppen, Rev. Toru Matsumoto, President John R. Mulder, Dr. Everett R. Clinchy and Dr. Elbert Conover.

Dr. Beardslee gave a series of eight lectures in Hackensack to a group of Reformed Church ministers; Professor Hope, a series of six lectures in Paterson Training Institute; Professor Hoffman gave two lectures at a conference of the Synod of Albany and two lectures on the Netherlands to the students of the Army Student Training Program in Rutgers. Dr. Beardslee had a special class reading Greek and another studying the teachings of Jesus. He also gave six lectures on the crusades in the Fort Washington Collegiate Church. Professor Wylaarsdam gave three lectures during Lent at the Methodist Church in Red Bank.

The Ministers' Fall Conference was well attended. The Rev. Warris Elliott Kirk addressed the conference on "What Science is Asking Religion" and "The Church Faces the Future". Dr. John Stothoff Badeau spoke on "The Church and the Achievement of Peace". The Rev. Jacob Prins, president of the General Synod, delivered the closing address-"A Superlative Claim". Dr. Frank B. Seeley delivered the address at the opening of the Seminary in September.

At the request of the students the Faculty again conducted a preaching service once a month. The students also arranged for two musical programs in the Chapel during the year.

Dr. James arranged for the summer church appointments of students placing all of the new Middle and senior classes in churches or as assistants to ministers except one student whose health did not permit his working last summer.

The Junior Class students were again assigned to the local churches to work with the pastors as in former years.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships:

Senior Class - Frank Palmer Beardslee
 Middle Class - Howard Garberich Hageman
 Junior Class - Calvin Thomas De Vries
 The Doolittle Prize in New Testament - Howard Garberich Hageman
 The Van Doren Prize in Missions - Calvin Thomas De Vries
 The Lodewick Prize in Preaching - Herbert Jacob Guth

Signed- William A. Weber, Secretary of the Faculty.

The Report of the Faculty was received and referred to the Committee on Faculty and Directors Report.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS, TREASURER AND LIBRARIAN

These reports were presented for information and will be printed in full in The Minutes of General Synod 1944.

ARTICLE VII

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS

Several members of your committee were able to get together at the Seminary, following the mid-winter examinations. At that time, classes in session were visited informally by committee members who report that they were most favorably impressed by the fine spirit of cooperation manifested by professors and students and by the excellence of the work being done. Examination papers were read by the committee at that time also, many of the papers being taken home by members for more leisurely study. Four members responded to the call for the final meeting of the committee and spent some time going over the most recent written work of the students.

Your committee would report that, on the whole, the work done reveals

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a high degree of conscientious and capable instruction and study, and we recommend that, subject to the judgment of the Faculty, the classes be advanced in course and the members of the Senior Class be granted Professorial Certificates.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas P. Haig, Chairman.

It was

VOTED, That this report be received and the recommendation be adopted.

It was

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to confer with a member of the Junior Class who was reported by the Faculty as having failed to do satisfactory work. Rev. Henry E. Schoon and Rev. John S. Moore were appointed.

ARTICLE VIII

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Stated Clerk reported that he had sent a letter, which had been prepared by the President of the Board, to the Stated Clerk of every Classis having membership in this Board stating that it was the obligation of each Classis to bear the traveling expenses of its member in attending the meetings of Board. This was done by order of the Board at its last meeting.

ARTICLE IX

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Committee on the Reports of the Faculty and Directors report having carefully read these reports, we believe that the work of the Seminary has been maintained during the past year at the usual high level of efficiency. We commend the various extra-curricula activities of the Faculty and the valuable publicity it reflects upon the Seminary. We especially commend the Directors and Faculty for the efficient manner in which the problem of providing students for the ministry is being met. We believe that this problem of preserving high scholastic standards while endeavoring to comply with the difficult conditions imposed by the Selective Service could not be placed in abler hands.

Respectfully submitted, Walter S. Maines
Harry B. Dunlap
Thomas Ten Hoeve

Your COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES report that after examining the 1943 Minutes of General Synod we find no business which requires the special attention of this Board.

Respectfully submitted, Walter E. Roughgarden
John J. Soeter
Richard C. Kennedy

ARTICLE X

NEW BUSINESS

The members of the Faculty were welcomed at the afternoon session at 3.30. President Beardslee explained at length the complications in the relation of pre-theological students with their Draft Boards. He urged that young men looking forward to the ministry report at once to the Seminary and become enrolled now, however far in advance of the date of entering the Seminary, in order to secure deferment and prevent the future depletion of the ministry of the church.

Professor Hoffman spoke of the increased interest of the churches in the Seminary in response to the messages given by the professors who have been invited to visit the various Classes. He also suggested the advisability of arranging a sort of Field Day, by an exchange of pulpits, when the work of the Seminary would be presented to all of the churches.

At a later session, following a discussion of Professor Hoffman's suggestion, the following action was taken:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Superintendents ask the Faculty to appoint a committee of Faculty, students and superintendents to organize and

set in motion plans for a Seminary Day either in a Classis or Particular Synod; looking forward to the time when we will have an annual Seminary Day in the Particular Synods of Albany, New York and New Brunswick.

After a lengthy consideration of the subject it was the conviction of the Board that General Synod should make provision for a more adequate support of the Seminary. In view of this feeling the following action was taken:

RESOLVED, That our representative be instructed to confer with the Directors in regard to the formulation of some plan for the improvement of the permanent plan for the financing of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

At the close of the afternoon session the members of the Board enjoyed the gracious hospitality of President and Mrs. Beardslee at a reception in their home. At a later session a hearty vote of thanks to our hosts was passed.

The evening worship service in Worcester Chapel was attended by the entire student body. The President of the Board, Rev. E. W. Thompson, spoke on the subject - "The Permanent Values of the Ministry". Very impressively and richly he drew upon his long experience, mentioning the fact that it was just fifty two years ago he had graduated from this Seminary. The Seminary Choir, under the leadership of Mr. Hageman of the Middle Class, rendered a special selection which received the highest praise. The examination of the Seniors, following this service, was well sustained.

The Board congratulated the Seminary Choir upon the excellence of their work and voted their thanks to the Student Organization for their part in the entertainment of its members.

ARTICLE XI CLOSING

All of the sessions of the Board were opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE XII ADJOURNMENT

The Commencement exercises were held in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University, Thursday, May 18, 1944, at 11.45 A. M., the President of the Seminary presiding. The President of the Board of Superintendents read the scripture and offered prayer. The Rev. M. Stephen James, D. D., Professor of Preaching and Pastoral Theology in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, delivered the Commencement address.

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Gordon Maynard Aldrich	Frank Palmer Beardslee	Peter Bol
Robert Clementz	Siebolt William Duitsman	John Dykstra
Marion Gerard Gosselink, Jr.	Herbert Jacob Guth	William Mill Hunter
Roger Beverly Juckett	Jay Roland Kapenga	Winfield Blair Sutphin
Norman Edwin Thomas	Richard Suffern	

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty the Directors conferred the degree of Bachelor of Divinity upon each of these graduates.

The adjournment of the meeting of the Board was ordered at the close of these exercises.

Elmer M. Knapp
President

Temporary Clerk

James S. Hagan
State Clerk

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Sage Library Wednesday, May 16, 1945, at 2.00 P. M.

ARTICLE I OPENING

Rev. Elias W. Thompson, the President, called the meeting to order and offered the opening prayer.

ARTICLE II ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

CLASSES

Albany
Bergen
Bergen, South
Greene
Hudson
Long Island, North
Long Island, South
Monmouth
Montgomery
Newark
New Brunswick
New York
Orange
Palisades
Paramus
Passaic
Philadelphia
Poughkeepsie
Raritan
Rensselaer
Rochester
Saratoga
Schenectady
Schoharie
Ulster
Westchester

Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Rev. Harold H. Klein
Rev. Thomas Lamont
Rev. John H. Vruwink
Rev. Cornelius J. Meyer
Rev. Jacob J. Sessler

Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn
Rev. Walter S. Maines
Rev. John Y. Broek
Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. Ernest R. Palen
Rev. John W. Tysse
Rev. Adalbert Q. Wettsten
Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Carl J. Schroeder

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Rev. Thomas P. Haig

Rev. Willis J. Vander Kooi
Rev. Nelson P. Van Raalte
Rev. William G. Matt
Rev. Cornelius A. Dykhuizen
Rev. George Berens
Rev. Elias W. Thompson

PARTICULAR SYNODS

Albany
Albany
Chicago
Iowa
New Brunswick
New Brunswick
New York
New York
Ex-Officio

Elder Richard C. Kennedy
Elder Stanley R. Crocker

Elder Frederick C. Kuehnle
The President of the Seminary

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

In accordance with the rule of the Board the Vice-President, Rev. Jacob J. Sessler, succeeded to the office of President. Rev. Cornelius Van Tol was elected Vice-President, and Rev. John H. Vruwink Temporary Clerk.

ARTICLE IV

READING OF MINUTES AND RULES OF ORDER

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. On motion the reading of the Rules of Order was omitted.

ARTICLE V

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

REPORTS OF FACULTY AND DIRECTORS

Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn

Rev. Harold H. Klein

Rev. Adalbert Q. Wettstein

SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol

Rev. Cornelius J. Meyer

Rev. Willis J. Vander Kooi

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Rev. John S. Moore

Rev. James B. Mulder

Rev. Thomas P. Haig

Rev. John Y. Broek

EXAMINATIONS

Rev. Thomas P. Haig

Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn

Rev. John Y. Broek

Rev. Thomas Lamont

Rev. John W. Tysse

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol

Rev. Jacob J. Sessler

Rev. Carl J. Schroeder

Rev. John S. Moore

Rev. Chester C. Chilton

INSTRUCTION

Rev. Thomas P. Haig

Rev. John S. Moore

Rev. John Y. Broek

ARTICLE VI
COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received from the following Stated Clerks: from the Classis of Bergen announcing the nomination of Rev. Harold H. Klein for the unexpired term of Rev. John J. Soeter; from the Classis of Greene announcing the nomination of Rev. John H. Vrawink for the unexpired term of Rev. Walter Roughgarden; and from the Classis of Schenectady announcing the nomination of Rev. William G. Matt for the unexpired term of Rev. Theodore G. Trittenbach.

Excuses were received from Rev. Frederick C. Leyboldt of the Classis of Philadelphia; Rev. William E. Compton of the Classis of Rensselaer; and from Rev. Gerritt De Motts of the Particular Synod of Chicago, to whom the Stated Clerk was directed to send a letter of condolence upon the death of his son in the war with Germany.

To each member of the Board the President of the Seminary had sent a letter containing the following statements: Professor J. Coert Rylaarsdam has just announced his acceptance of a position as Assistant Professor of Old Testament in the Department of Oriental Languages and Literatures at the University of Chicago. He has sent to the President of our General Synod, according to the Constitution, his resignation as Professor of Old Testament languages and Exegesis in the New Brunswick Seminary.

This makes necessary some very important decisions. Someone must be found to teach the Old Testament next winter. Again, someone must be found as Professor Rylaarsdam's permanent successor. These two are not at all the same. It is quite possible that it would be best to find some temporary instructor for next winter and postpone the choice of a new professor. This has been the procedure in case of almost every vacancy during the past years. (Feb. 12, 1945)

In a later communication (Feb. 24, 1945) the President stated that the so-called Committee on Instruction consisting of three Superintendents and three Directors had held a meeting at which all were present

and considered a notable list of names, including those that had been suggested by Superintendents and Directors in response to the advance notice of the meeting. It was the unanimous sentiment of the Committee that it would be unwise to proceed at present to the nomination of a professor.

It was also unanimously voted to recommend the engagement of Professor Julius Bewer as a visiting instructor for the year 1945-46. Professor Bewer is widely known for his scholarship, for his devoutly evangelical Christianity, for his exceptional teaching ability. He is retiring in May from active duty in Union Seminary because of pension requirements, but is in excellent health and vigor. Many of our young ministers testify to the help they have received from his instruction. (The Old Testament is to him not a text book in philology or archæology, but the presentation of a loving, active, just Jehovah)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Owing to the procedure required by the regulations of Selective Service, functions of your Committee are somewhat different from the practice of previous years. Most of our students are now admitted while in college, some are even admitted while in high school.

Your Committee met on the opening day of the fall session, September 20, at five o'clock in the afternoon, and welcomed to the Seminary Donner Bates Atwood, George Jacob Holler, Jr., Charles William Krahe, John Edward Lucius and Leonard Alexander Sibley, Jr., all of whom had attended the summer session which was held last year.

The actual reception of students has necessarily been entrusted to the faculty members of your Committee. As these students appeared one at a time according to the exigencies of the draft regulations, and it was manifestly impossible for the entire Committee on so many occasions oftentimes with short notice, following is a list of the students whom the faculty members of your Committee have received during the year:

May 22, 1944. At a special session of the Faculty at which Professors Weber, Hope, James and Rylaarsdam were present, it was voted to receive Mr. J. Elmer Hausman, Jr., of our Second Reformed Church at Irvington, N. J. and sophomore at Rutgers University as a pre-theological student, to enter the Seminary in January 1946, contingent on receipt of all necessary papers.

June 29, 1944. President Beardslee, Professors Hoffman, Weber and Hope being present. It was voted to accept as a pre-theological student Mr. LeLlewellyn Kester, Jr., of the Fourth Reformed Church in Philadelphia, who is sponsored by the Rev. Martin Heeksema in the absence of a pastor at the 4th Church. Mr. Kester is a student at the University of Pennsylvania, but is transferring to our Central College. He will be graduated at the end of 1947 or beginning of 1948. He is 18 years old August 1944. His home is 534 Roxborough Avenue, Philadelphia.

July 10, 1944. Present were Professors Weber, Hoffman and Hope, to meet Mr. Warren J. Henseler, a member of Faith Van Vorst Reformed Church of which Rev. William Reese Hart is pastor. He presented a letter from his pastor and from the Classis. He has been received by the Board of Education for student aid. He was born Jan. 12, 1927; aged 17½ years. It was voted to accept him as a pre-theological student who will attend Rutgers University to enter the Seminary probably in 1946.

August 15, 1944. It was voted to accept as a pre-theological student Mr. Herbert Schmalzriedt, Jr., of the West End Reformed Church, Port Jervis, N. Y., at present a student at Houghton College.

May 1945

January 16, 1945. It was voted to accept as a pre-theological student Mr. William H. Gee, a freshman in Hope College, member of Glen Rock Reformed Church and approved by Classis.

January 24, 1945. It was voted to accept as a pre-theological student Mr. Theodore Muller, a student at Houghton College, and a member of the English Neighborhood Church, Ridgefield, N. J.

January 30, 1945. The Faculty voted to accept as a pre-theological student Mr. Paul Meyerink, on recommendation of his pastor, Rev. Gerrit Timmer of the Abbe Reformed Church in Clymer, N. Y. He will be graduated from the Clymer High School in June 1945, and will enter Hope College in the fall. He will be 18 years of age February 4, 1945.

April 30, 1945. It was voted to accept as a pre-theological student Mr. Richard I. Van Doren, of Highland Park, N. J., a member of the Highland Park Reformed Church. He will be 18 on May 4, and plans to enter Hope College on June 25th.

John Seymour Moore, Chairman of the Committee.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY

Report of the Faculty to the Board of Superintendents, May 16, 1945.

The following were awarded the B. D. degree and Professorial Certificates at the Commencement held May 18th 1944:

Gordon Maynard Aldrich	Cohoes, N. Y.
Frank Palmer Beardslee, (cum laude)	Asbury Park, N. J.
Peter Bol	Winfield, L. I., N. Y.
Robert Clementz	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Siebolt William Duitsman	Berne, N. Y.
John Dykstra	Gardiner, N. Y.
Marion Gerard Gosselink, Jr.	Pine Bush, N. Y.
Herbert Jacob Guth	Greenwich, N. Y.
William Mill Hunter	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Roger Beverly Juckett (cum laude)	Preakness, N. J.
Richard Munn Suffern	New York
Winfield Blair Sutphin	Montrose, N. Y.
Norman Edwin Thomas (cum laude)	St. Johnsville, N.Y.
Jay Roland Kapenga	Basrah, Iraq

The enrollment of the three classes during the past academic year:

SENIOR CLASS			
Richard Delmar Beving	A. B. Central	College 41	Wellsburg, Iowa
Howard Garberich Hageman	A. B. Harvard	1942	Albany, N. Y.
Wilfrid Hathaway Hasbrouck	A. B. Hope	1941	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Wilbur Ervin Ivins	A. B. Central	1942	Feasterville, Pa.
Blase Laval	A. B. Hope	1942	Passaic, N. J.
Douglas Robertson MacDonald	A. B. Hope	1941	Flushing, N. Y.
Vernon Jesse Meerdink	A. B. Hope	1942	Clymer, N. Y.
Norbert Austin Moke	A. B. Central	1942	Plainfield, N. J.
Leroy Nixon	A. B. Central	1941	Newtown, Pa.
Forrest Roosevelt Prindle	A. B. Hope	1941	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Lorenz Alexander Proli	A. B. Rutgers	1941	Bogota, N. J.
Garrett Cornell Roorda	A. B. Central	1941	Denver, Colo.
Richard Eugene Shearer	A. B. Eastern Bap. Theo.	Seminary 1943	
	Th. B.	" "	" 1943
			Atlantic Highlands, N. J.
Albert George Shiphorst	A. B. Hope	1941	Oakland, N. J.
Stanley Swan Slingerland	A. B. Hope	1941	Riverdale, N. J.
Eugene Lester Ten Brink	A. B. Hope	1942	Hudsonville, Mich.

MIDDLE CLASS

Elmer Bart Bente	A.B. Central 1943	Bristow, Iowa
Louis Henry Chisman	A.B. Hope 1943	Keyport, N. J.
Ralph Richard Henry Cordes	A.B. Central, 1943	Titonka, Iowa
Calvin Thomas De Vries	A.B. Hope 1943	Sibley, Iowa
John Hart	A.B. Rutgers 1943	Jersey City, N. J.
John Richard Hawkins Jr.	A.B. Rutgers 1943	Albany, N. Y.
Henry Christian Kreutzer	A.B. Rutgers, 1943	Yonkers, N. Y.
John Walter Ter Louw	A.B. Central 1942	Steen, Minn.
Harold James Vande Berg	A.B. Central 1942	Hospers, Iowa
Richard Nance Vos	A.B. Central 1943	Roseland, Minn.
Allan John Weenink	A.B. Hope 1943	Kalamazoo, Mich.

JUNIOR CLASS

Donner Bates Atwood	A.B. Rutgers 1945	Albany, N. Y.
Fred R. Buseman	A.B. Central 1944	Aplington, Iowa
George Jacob Holler Jr.	* Rutgers	Albany, N. Y.
Charles William Krahe	A.B. Hamilton 1944	Long Island City, N.
John Edward Lucius	A.B. Hope 1944	Flushing, N. Y.
William Matthews	A.B. Queens 1944	Richmond Hill, N. Y.
Leonard Alexander Sibley Jr. *	Hope	Jersey City, N. J.
Donald Boyce Swartwout	A.B. Central 1944	Greenville, N. Y.
(* Credits for A.B. not complete)		

The total enrollment for the year was 35. Of these, 13 students were four-year men who served churches regularly as student pastors.

All of the students of the Middle and Senior classes were placed in churches for summer appointments by Dr. James.

Five students of the new Junior Class entered the Seminary in the summer term which was instituted to meet the requirements of the Government Selective Service.

The opening address in the Fall was given by the Rev. C. Everard Deems, minister of the Livingston Avenue Church of this city.

The speakers at the Minister's Conference in September were:

Dr. Robert W. Searle, Secretary of the New York Federation of Churches who spoke on "Churches- Comrades or Rivals in American Communities".

Dr. Otis R. Rice, Prof. of Pastoral Theology, General Theological Seminary, who spoke twice: his subjects being "The Pastoral Problems in Wartime and Thereafter"; and "Pastoral Problems in Special Situations".

Dr. George F. Thomas, Prof. of Philosophy, Princeton University, who spoke on "Christianity and the Secular Mind".

In addition to the regular courses given by the Faculty, the following subjects were taught: Missions and Non-Christian Religions by Dr. Luman J. Shafer; Preaching by Dr. Norman Vincent Peale; Reformed Church Constitution, by Dr. William H. S. Demarest; Beginning Hebrew by the Rev. Edward Hodge Bishop; Public Speaking by Stanley S. Newcomb, Prof. Donald Wheeler's associate in Princeton Theological Seminary who on account of prolonged illness was not able to take the classes.

Faculty activities outside the Seminary appointments included the following: Dr. Beardslee delivered six lectures at the Woodcliff Church on "Teachings of Jesus" and four lectures to the churches of Red Bank on the "Epistle to the Ephesians". Prof. Hoffman gave several lectures to the Army Special Training Students at Rutgers University and five lectures in the New Brunswick Teacher Training Class on the subject - "Being a Christian Today". Prof. Hope gave six lectures in the First Presbyterian Church of Yonkers on the book of Job, under

the auspices of the Ynkers Federation of Churches. Profs. Bearnslee, Hoffman, Hope and Rylaarsdam gave four lectures each in the Fort Washington Collegiate Church in a series on "What Is Faith?"

Prof. Hoffman was the Seminary's delegate to the biennial meeting of the American Association of Theological Schools.

Prof. Rylaarsdam represented the Seminary at the inauguration of Dr. Edwin Ewart Aubrey as President of Crozier Theological Seminary.

Prof. James represented the Seminary at the installation of the Rev. Richard C. Oudersluys as Professor of the New Testament in the Western Theological Seminary.

The Occasional Lecturers at the Seminary this year included the following: Everett Russell Clinchy; Elbert Moore Conover; Francis Marmaduke Potter; Ida Sophia Scudder; Doris Alice Wells; Abbe Livingston Warnshuis; Nathaniel Menachem Keller; Hans Heyman; Ruth Ransom; and Frederick Zimmerman.

Our Seminary was represented at the Interseminary Conference held at Scranton, Pa., Nov. 2-4, by eight of our students.

A majority of the student body also attended an all day meeting of the New York Section of the Interseminary Conference at Union Seminary in New York February 22 nd where the subject of "Problems of the Returning Service Man" was discussed.

The Seminary Choir, under the skilful leadership of Mr. Howard G. Hageman rendered signal service in the enrichment of the Seminary Faculty Preaching and Communion services as well as on several occasions in New York City, and on a broadcast of the Church of the Air, when Dr. James was the preacher.

The students again arranged for two Retreats at Bernardsville, N. J. and obtained the leaders for the four communion services that were held in the chapel. At their request the members of the Faculty again conducted preaching services on the first Monday evening of each month.

Another helpful service was rendered by fifteen of the students who spent a week-end at Teaneck, N. J., making a community survey under the direction of the Rev. W. Carmen Trembath.

As in former years, the students conducted chapel services in the Middlesex General Hospital early Wednesday mornings for the nurses, and Wednesday afternoons for the ward patients.

Students of the Junior Class were assigned to local churches where as in former years they assisted the minister, taught in the Church School and helped in the Young People's work. Owing to the large number of vacant pulpits, the students in the Middle and Senior classes were called upon to conduct church services more frequently than usual.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships

Senior Class	-	Howard Garberich Hageman
Middle Class	-	Calvin Thomas De Vries
Junior Class	-	Charles William Krahe
The Doolittle Prize in New Testament	-	Harold James Vande Berg
The Lodewick Prize for Preaching	-	Howard Garberich Hageman

Signed - William A. Weber, Secretary of the Faculty

The Report of the Faculty was received and referred to the Committee on Faculty and Directors Report.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS, TREASURER AND LIBRARIAN

These reports were presented for information and will be printed in full in the Minutes of General Synod 1945.

ARTICLE VII

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS

report

Your Committee on Examinations, that the members of the committee visited class rooms while lectures were being delivered and received a definite impression of scholarly competence and teaching efficiency on the part of the professors and commendable application on the part of the students.

The written work examined by your committee, term papers and theses, gave evidence of careful instruction and profitable study, and, on the whole, was very creditable.

We recommend that, subject to the judgment of the Faculty, the students be advanced in course and Professorial Certificates be granted to the members of the Senior Class.

Thomas F. Haig, Chairman

It was

VOTED, That this report be received and adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Committee on Instruction reported that Professor Julius Bewer had been engaged as visiting instructor for the year 1945-46 in the department of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis.

The Board's representative in the Directors, as a special committee reported that it had been impossible, on account of the pressure of business, to discuss the matter of a plan for the more adequate financial support of the Seminary.

ARTICLE IX

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Your Committee on the Reports of the Faculty and Directors are pleased to report that;

We are satisfied that the year's work in our Seminary has been fruitful in results;

Sixteen students have passed the examinations entitling them to receive Professorial Certificates;

The student body has given useful service to the churches and the community of New Brunswick;

Many of the students have supplied the need of churches who have lacked the regular service of pastors;

The Faculty has enhanced the reputation of the Seminary by giving courses of lectures in several cities and at Rutgers University.

We regret that Professor Rylaarsdam has felt constrained to resign from the chair of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis. We approve the engagement of Professor Julius August Bewer to teach in this department during 1945-46.

We recommend a closer relationship of Faculty and students. We suggest that each member of the Faculty take a place of Adviser and Counselor to a group of students, so that each student will have a member of the Faculty as consultant and helper.

We express our confidence that the Faculty and Directors will resolve and perform all things that will advance the aims and purposes of the Seminary.

Otto L. F. Mohn, Chairman

Harold H. Klein

Adalbert Q. Wettstein

It was

VOTED, That this report be received and approved.

Your COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES report that after examining the 1944 Minutes of General Synod we find nothing that requires the special attention of this Board.

Cornelius Van Tol
Cornelius J. Meyer
Willis J. Vander Kooi

ARTICLE X NEW BUSINESS

It was VOTED, That the Board of Superintendents recommend to the Faculty their consideration of the adoption of the plan whereby each student would be assigned to a member of the Faculty, such Faculty member to be that student's pastor and adviser.

It was VOTED, That the President of the Board convey to Professor Rylaarsdam the regrets of the Superintendents upon the severance of his official connection with the Seminary and assure him of our felicitations and best wishes as he enters the larger field of service in the University of Chicago.

It was VOTED, That the Stated Clerk be directed to write to Dr. Hoffman and assure him of the Board's warm appreciation of the excellent work he has been doing to bring the needs of the Seminary before the churches and to promote a better acquaintance with the Seminary itself.

All of the members of the Faculty were welcomed at the afternoon session of the Board and each one given an opportunity to speak of matters pertaining to his special department. President Beardslee called special attention to the needs of the Seminary and explained many features of the financial system in answer to various questions. Dr. Hoffman reported the results of the efforts to interest an increasing number of the churches in the work of the Seminary, not only enlarging their interests and gifts, but helping them to realize that the Institution belongs to them. Great progress has been made during the year under his wise and enthusiastic leadership. Dr. James spoke of the inability of the Seminary to meet the needs of the churches which are without pastors and the arrangements being made in various sections of the Church for two churches to be under the care of one minister. Dr. Rylaarsdam spoke of his deep appreciation of all that the Seminary had meant to him, the happy years he had in its service and his continued interest in its welfare even though he had felt constrained to accept another position.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Resolutions the following action was taken:

BE IT RESOLVED

That in view of the fine work that the Seminary is doing, the increased giving on the part of the churches to maintain the efficiency of the Seminary, and the fact that so many of our churches in the three eastern Synods have already included the Seminary in their budgets, we recommend that all of the the churches of the eastern Synods be urged to make provision for including the Seminary in their budgets for an annual gift.

THAT the Board of Superintendents express its deep appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. Beardslee for their gracious entertainment of the Board the Faculty and students at the reception in their home Wednesday afternoon.

THAT the Board of Superintendents express its gratitude to Dr. Milton J. Hoffman for all the effort which he has put into the task of improving the relation between the Seminary and the churches, and that we assure

Dr. Hoffman of our continued support of his every effort to further improve these relations.

THAT the Board of Superintendents recommend that the Seminary prepare a bulletin cover, or series of covers, to be distributed to the churches on request, to bring before the congregations the work of the Seminary.

THAT the Board of Superintendents express to the Seminary, through Dr. Beardslee, the President, our appreciation of the hospitality of the Seminary in entertaining the members of the Board.

THAT the Board approve the engagement of Professor Julius August Bewer to teach Old Testament Exegesis during the academic year of 1946

Cornelius J. Meyer, Chairman

Vernon O. Nagel

Willis J. Vander Kooi

The evening worship service in Worcester Chapel was attended by the entire student body, the Faculty and friends of the Seminary, as well as the members of the Board. After the opening service by the Vice-President, the President, Rev. Jacob J. Sessler spoke on the subject: "A Man of God". From wide reading and a rich personal experience he presented stimulating and timely thoughts designed to keep high ideal before those who are to preach the gospel of reconciliation. The individual examination of the Seniors, which followed, was well sustained. It was voted to recommend the members of the Senior Class for Professorial Certificates, and the members of the other classes to be advanced in course.

ARTICLE XI

CLOSING

All of the sessions of the Board were opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE XII

ADJOURNMENT

The Commencement Exercises were held in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University, Thursday May 17, 1945, at 12.00 noon, the President of the Seminary presiding. The President of the Board of Superintendents, Rev. Jacob J. Sessler, read the scripture lesson and offered prayer. The Commencement address was delivered by the Reverend Professor John Coert Rylaarsdam, Ph. D., New Brunswick 1938, on the subject: "The Eternal Purpose".

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Richard Delmer Beving

Howard Garberich Hageman, cum laude

Wilfrid Hathaway Hasbrouck

Wilbur Ervin Ivins, cum laude

Elase Levai

Douglas Robertson MacDonald

Vernon Jesse Weerdink

Norbert Austin Moke

Leroy Nixon

Forrest Roosevelt Prindle

Lorenz Alexander Proli

Garrett Cornell Roorda

Albert George Shiphorst

Stanley Swan Slingerland

Eugene Lester Ten Brink

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty the Directors conferred the degree of Bachelor of Divinity upon the following:

Richard Delmer Beving
Howard Garberich Hageman
Wilfrid Hathaway Hasbrouck
Wilbur Ervin Ivins
Blase Leval
Vernon Jesse Meerdink

Norbert Austin Moke
Leroy Nixon
Lorenz Alexander Proli
Garrett Cornell Roorda
Richard Eugene Shearer
Stanley Swan Slingerland

Eugene Lester Ten Brink

Adjournment was ordered at the close of the Commencement Exercises.

President

Eugene Lester Ten Brink

Temporary Clerk

Eugene Lester Ten Brink

Stated Clerk

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary convened in annual session in the Sage Library Wednesday, May 15, 1946, at 2.00 P. M.

ART. I OPENING

In the absence of the President, the Vice-President, Rev. Cornelius Van Tol, called the meeting to order and offered the opening prayer.

ARTICLE II ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

CLASSES

Albany
Bergen
Bergen, South
Greene
Hudson
Long Island, North
Long Island, South
Monmouth
Montgomery
Newark
New Brunswick
New York
Orange
Palisades
Paramus
Passaic
Philadelphia
Poughkeepsie
Raritan
Rensselaer
Rochester
Saratoga
Schenectady
Schubbarie
Ulster
Westchester

Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Rev. Harold H. Klein

Rev. John H. Vruwink
Rev. Cornelius J. Meyer
Rev. Roscoe M. Giles
Rev. Martin P. Luther
Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn
Rev. Walter S. Maines

Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. Chester C. Chilton
Rev. John W. Tysse
Rev. Adalbert Q. Wettstein

Rev. Carl J. Schroeder

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Rev. Thomas P. Haig
Rev. William E. Compton
Rev. Gerrit Timmer
Rev. Henry Burggraaff
Rev. Bertram D. Atwood
Rev. Cornelius A. Dykhuizen
Rev. George Berens
Rev. Elias W. Thompson

PARTICULAR SYNODS

Albany
Albany
Chicago
Iowa
New Brunswick
New Brunswick
New York
New York

Rev. Henry Senne

Elder Frederick C. Kuehnle

The President of the Faculty

Ex-Officio

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

By the rule of the Board the Vice-President, Rev. Cornelius Van Tol succeeded to the office of President. Rev. Roscoe M. Giles was elected Vice-President and Rev. Bertram D. Atwood Temporary Clerk.

ARTICLE IV

READING OF MINUTES AND RULES OF ORDER

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. On motion the reading of the Rules of Order was omitted.

ARTICLE V

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

REPORTS OF FACULTY AND DIRECTORS

Rev. Chester C. Chilton Rev. Cornelius A. Dykhuizen
Rev. Elias W. Thompson

SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Henry Senne Rev. Walter S. Maines
Rev. George Berens

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Rev. John S. Moore Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. Carl J. Schroeder

EXAMINATIONS

Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn Rev. Carl J. Schroeder
Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. Adalbert Q. Wettstein
Rev. John S. Moore Rev. Henry Burggraaff

INSTRUCTION

Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Martin P. Luther

ARTICLE VI COMMUNICATIONS

Excuses were received from Revs. John S. Moore and John Y. Broek, and Elder Richard C. Kennedy.

Communications were received announcing the following nominations to fill unexpired terms: Rev. Roscoe M. Giles for the term of Rev. Jacob J. Sessler, Classis of North Long Island; Rev. Garrit Timmer for the term of Rev. W. J. Vander Kooi, Classis of Rochester; and Rev. Bertram D. Atwood for the term of Rev. William G. Maat, Classis of Schenectady.

The reports of the Faculty, the Directors, the Treasurer and the Librarian had been mailed to each member of the Board.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

The Committee on Admission of Students met with the Faculty, September 19th, 1945, to receive five new students. Present were: The Revs. Moore, Broek, Mulder, Haig and Profs. Beardslee, Weber and James. Rev. Moore offered prayer.

The following students were admitted: Richard Hine, Jr., graduate of Hope College 1945 and member of the First Reformed Church at Roseland, Chicago, Ill. Carl Russell Sayers, graduate of Columbia University 1945 and member of the Bronxville, N. Y. Reformed Church. Oswell Livingston Summers, graduate of Central College 1945, a member of the Baptist Church. George Watt, Jr. a graduate of Rutgers University 1945 and member of the Methodist Church in Somerville, N. J. Frederick Russell Doane Williams, a graduate of Washington and Lee University 1945 and member of the East Setauket L. I. Presbyterian Church.

The Committee also approved the action of the Faculty in regard to Mr. Melvin Gordon Nida, a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Plainfield, N. J. who wishes to attend the Seminary as a special student. They also approved the reception of Mr. Arvin Wilfred Roos of Littleton, Colo. and graduate of Central College 1943 as a pre-theological student to enter the Seminary as he is released from service in the army. They empowered the Faculty to receive any others who may apply for admission. The meeting adjourned with prayer by Dr. Broek.

At the beginning of the second semester, January 24, 1946, six additional students were enrolled, - two in the Middle Class and four in the Junior Class

May 1946

Robert Mitchell Runge, graduate of Rutgers 1944 and member of the South Bound Brook Reformed Church (Middler). Fred Baumgardner, graduate of N. Y. University 1945, Baptist minister serving an Independent Church at Elmhurst, N. Y. and graduate of the National Bible Institute of New York. While he is admitted to the Middle Class he will be required to take 30 semester hours of college work in addition to 60 hours in the Seminary to make up for his lack in basic college courses which he did not get in New York University for his B. S. degree. Wilbur Ray Brandt, graduate of Hope College 1946 and member of the Union City, N. J., Reformed Church. (Junior Class). Ernst Stilwell Heeren, graduate of Rutgers University 1942, member of the First Reformed Church, Brooklyn. His home is at Marverne, N. Y.. He was just released from army duty. Arvin Wilfred Roos of Littleton, Colo., graduate of Central College 1943 and member of the First Reformed Church in Denver, Colo. He too was just released from army duty. Alan Christian Staver, graduate of Hope College 1946, member of the Niskayuna, N. Y. Reformed Church. P. S. - Mr. Frederick Russell Doane Williams left the Seminary at the second semester and entered the Bloomfield, N. J., Theological Seminary. William A. Weber, Secretary of the Faculty.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY

May 16, 1946

At the regular meeting of the Board of Superintendents on May 16, 1945, the following sixteen students of the Senior Class were granted Professorial Certificate and thirteen of that number the B. D. degree.

Richard Delmar Beving
Howard Garberich Hageman
Wilfred Hathaway Hasbrouck
Wilbur Erwin Ivins
Blase Leval

Annandale, N. J.
Newark, N. J.
Somerville, N. J.
Lawyersville, N. Y.

*Douglas Robertson MacDonald
Vernon Jesse Meerdink
Norbert Austin Moke
Leroy Nixon
*Forrest Roosevelt Prindle
Lorenz Alexander Proff
Garret Cornell Roorda
Richard Eugene Shearer
*Albert George Shiphorst
Stanley Swan Slingerland
Eugene Lester Ten Brink

Glendale, N. Y.
Interlaken, N. Y.
Chaplain
New Brunswick, N. J.
Brooklyn, N. Y.
Kerhonksen, N. Y.
Mohawk, N. Y.
New Brunswick, N. J.
Keyport, N. J.
Millstone, N. J.

*These students did not receive the B. D. degree because they did not submit the required thesis.

The following students have been registered in the three classes during the past year:

SENIOR CLASS

Elmer Bert Bonte
Louis Henry Chisman
Ralph M. H. Cordes
Calvin Thomas DeVries
John Hart
William David Powell
John Walter TerLouw
Harold J. VandeBerg
Richard Nance Vos
Allan John Weenink

A. B. Central 1943
A. B. Hope 1943
A. B. Central 1943
A. B. Hope 1943
A. B. Rutgers 1943

A. B. Central 1942
A. B. Central 1942
A. B. Central 1943
A. B. Hope 1943

Bristow, Iowa
Keyport, N. J.
Titonka, Iowa
Sibley, Iowa
Jersey City, N. J.
New Monmouth, N. J.
Steen, Minn.
Hospers, Iowa
Roseland, Minn.
Kalamazoo, Mich.

MIDDLE CLASS

Donner Bates Atwood
 Fred Baumgardner
 George Jacob Holler, Jr.
 Charles William Krahe
 Henry C. Kreutzer
 John Edward Lucius
 William Matthews
 Robert Mitchell Runge
 Leonard A. Sibley, Jr.
 Donald B. Swartwout

A. B. Rutgers 1945
 Rutgers
 A. B. Hamilton 1944
 A. B. Rutgers 1943
 A. B. Hope 1944
 A. B. Queens 1944
 A. B. Rutgers
 Hope
 A. B. Central 1944

Albany, N. Y.
 Elmhurst, N. Y.
 Albany, N. Y.
 Long Island City, N. Y.
 Yonkers, N. Y.
 Flushing, N. Y.
 Richmond Hill, N. Y.
 Bound Brook, N. J.
 Jersey City, N. J.
 Greenville, N. Y.

JUNIOR CLASS

Wilbur Ray Brandli
 Ernst Stillwell Heeren
 Richard Hine, Jr.
 Libuse L. Miller
 Arvin Wilfred Roos
 Carl Russell Sayers
 Alan C. Staver
 Oswell L. Summers
 George Watt, Jr.

A. B. Hope 1946
 A. B. Rutgers 1942
 A. B. Hope 1945
 B.S.U. of Chi. 1937
 A. B. Central 1943
 A. B. Columbia 1945
 A. B. Hope 1946
 A. B. Central 1945
 A. B. Rutgers 1945
 A. B. Washington & Lee 1945

Union City, N. J.
 Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Chicago, Ill.
 New Brunswick, N. J.
 Littleton, Colo.
 Pelham, N. Y.
 Niskayuna, N. Y.
 Eau Claire, Wis.
 Somerville, N. J.
 Setauket, L. I., N. Y.

*Frederick R. D. Williams (*Withdrew to enter Bloomfield Seminary the second semester)

The total enrollment this year was 30: 11 Seniors, 10 Middlers and 9 Juniors. Four Juniors came at the beginning of the second semester; two of whom were discharged from the armed services and two who were graduated from their college on an accelerated basis.

Ten students have been preaching regularly as student supply, and have thereby extended their stay at the Seminary beyond the three years as is now the policy of the school for all students who are thus engaged in continuous service in a church.

Practically all of the other Middlers and Seniors have had opportunity to preach almost every Sunday because of the large number of vacant pulpits at this time.

The students of the Junior Class as heretofore have been assigned to local churches in New Brunswick and vicinity where they have assisted the pastors in the educational work of the church, in Young People's programs, choir and occasionally in the pulpit.

In addition to their work in churches, the students of all the classes shared with the Faculty the leading of the daily chapel services. They also arranged for five special preaching and communion services during the year: the Thanksgiving Communion, conducted by the Rev. Dr. M. Verne Oggel of the Glen Rock Reformed Church; the Christmas Communion served by the Rev. Dr. John E. Kuizenga, of Princeton Theological Seminary; a preaching service at the beginning of the second semester conducted by Prof. Norman V. Hope; Ash Wednesday Communion led by Prof. M. Stephen James and address given by the Visiting Prof. Julius A. Bower; Maundy Thursday the Communion in charge of Prof. Milton J. Hoffman, the Rev. Bradford Abernathy, Students Counsellor of Rutgers University, giving the address.

The students planned two retreats during the year: the first at Red Bank, N. J., when they secured Dr. Bernard J. Mulder, General Secretary of the Board of Education, and the Rev. Dr. Jasper S. Hogan, Pastor Emeritus of the First Reformed Church of New Brunswick to be the speakers. The second was held at Bernardsville, N. J., where the Rev. Howard C. Schade of Tarrytown, N. Y., First Reformed Church and the Rev. John J. Soeter, pastor of the Second Reformed Church of New Brunswick, were the speakers.

The Inter-Seminary Conference held at Rochester, N. Y., was attended by 11 of our students and the one held at Princeton in the second semester was attended by practically all of the students. Our students also entertained a regional planning conference of the Eastern Group of Inter-Seminaries in Hertzog Hall.

The dining hall is again in operation as a student cooperative project while a flourishing Book Store is being operated by the Society of Inquiry.

There being a large number of married students on the campus, their wives have organized a "Seminary Wives Society" and meet weekly every Monday evening. Dr. Beardslee gave a course of lectures to them on the Book of Revelation and another course on the Parables of Jesus. Mrs. M. Stephen James met with them several evenings and discussed the subject of Etiquette in the Manse. Mrs. Norman V. Hope, Mrs. John J. Soeter, Mrs. Bradford Abernathy and Mrs. Margaret B. Cobb were also invited to speak to this group.

The Seminary Choir of mixed voices has again contributed excellent music at the various services, under the direction of Mr. F. R. D. Williams first semester, and Mr. Harold J. VandeBerg the second semester.

The students' Society of Inquiry has a good record of work accomplished during the year completing the following projects:

Boxes of clothing were sent to the United Church Service Center for European Relief

\$64.50 was sent to the Commission of World Council Service for books for Japanese ministers

\$20.00 was contributed to the local Community Chest

\$125.00, the missionary fund of the Society was divided between our mission boards

\$22.60 was sent to the Reformed Church Emergency Fund.

The wives of the students sewed garments for Netherlands Relief

The Opening Address at the beginning of the school year was given by the Rev. Peter Garret Baker of the class of 1923, Director of the American Presbyterian College at Bahia, Brazil.

An address of unusual interest was given by the Rev. A. G. Barkey Wolf, a minister of the Hague, Holland, who had been in a concentration camp when the Germans occupied the country. He spoke on the "Perils of Exaggerated Mysticism" and in an informal meeting with the students and Faculty in the home of Prof. Hoffman he told of some of the experiences of Dutch ministers during the Nazi occupation of Holland. He also attended two Seminary classes and spoke to the students.

Another visitor to the Seminary was the Rev. William A. Huntsman of the McKee, Kentucky, mission, who gave the students an activity program for the recreational life of young people in the church.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships

Senior Class - Harold James VandeBerg

Middle Class - Charles William Krahe

Junior Class - Carl Russell Sayers

The Doolittle Prize in New Testament - Charles William Krahe

The Lodewick Prize for Preaching - Harold James VandeBerg

William A. Weber, Secretary of the Faculty

The Report of the Faculty was received and referred to the Committee on the Reports of the Faculty and Directors.

Reports of Directors, Treasurer and Librarian

These reports were presented for information and will be printed in full in the Minutes of General Synod 1946.

ARTICLE VII

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS

Six members of your committee have, at various times and in sundry manners, read the papers and theses written by students, and would report that they reflect competent instruction on the part of the professors and, on the whole, a commendable grasp of the subject-matter by the students. Several of these theses are on a high level of excellence.

We recommend to the Board of Superintendents that, subject to the judgment of the Faculty, the students be advanced in course, and Professorial Certificates be granted to the members of the Senior Class.

Thomas P. Haig, Chairman

It was
VOTED, That this report be received and adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Committee on Instruction reported that temporary arrangements had been made for the continuance of the services of Professor Julius Bower as visiting instructor in the department of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis.

ARTICLE IX

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF FACULTY AND DIRECTORS

Your committee has read these reports and notes with pleasure the use of student retreats as a means of developing the spiritual sense of the students; the establishment of a "Seminary Wives Society" which through lectures and counsel can become an instrument of great service to prospective ministers wives in their preparation for the manse; and the benevolent spirit exhibited by the Society of Inquiry in their giving to worthy causes.

Your committee further takes cognizance of the splendid contributions made to the Seminary by Drs. Shafer, Rice and Muste through their instruction of vital phases of the Christian ethic.

Your committee rejoices in the offering of two scholarships to two theological students from the Netherlands.

Your committee recommend that the reports of the Faculty and Directors be incorporated in the minutes of the Board of Superintendents.

Chester C. Chilton, Chairman

Cornelius A. Dykhuizen

Elias W. Thompson

This report was received and approved.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Henry Senne, the chairman, reported that the committee finds nothing in the Minutes of General Synod requiring the attention of this Board.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Board of Superintendents express its gratitude to the Seminary for its gracious hospitality shown the members of the Board;

That the Board of Superintendents express its gratitude to Dr. Milton J. Hoffman for his continued good work in the interest of the Seminary among the churches, and we recommend his suggestion that all churches remember the Seminary in their annual budget;

That the Board of Superintendents express to Dr. and Mrs. Beardslee and the Faculty its deep appreciation for the reception given the members of the Board and student body;

That the Board commend the fine Christian spirit shown by the students as evidence and deep concern for the welfare of the Seminary;

That the Board approve the engagement of Professor Julius August Baer to teach Old Testament during the academic year of 1946-1947.

John W. Tysse
Vernon O. Nagel
John H. Vruwink, Committee

It was
VOTED, That these resolutions be adopted.

ARTICLE X NEW BUSINESS

A committee of students was received from the Society of Inquiry which requested the Board to appoint a committee to confer with a committee of the students in order to secure closer cooperation and a better understanding between the Board of Superintendents and the students. After some discussion the Board voted to appoint a committee of three to confer with a similar committee from the Faculty and also from the Society of Inquiry. The following committee was appointed: Rev. Roscoe M. Giles, Rev. James B. Mulder and Rev. Carl J. Schroeder.

It was later voted that this "committee on Student-Faculty relationships" be made a permanent committee of the Board of Superintendents.

It was also voted that this committee from the Society of Inquiry be requested to report to the Board of Superintendents at their May meeting in 1947 on their activities, desires and difficulties during the year.

All of the members of the Faculty were welcomed at the afternoon session. President Beardslee spoke of the financial needs of the Seminary and the fund being raised for repairs and improvements. Other members of the Faculty were also heard and a general discussion followed including the matter of student preaching.

The following motion was made and adopted: That each of the committees shall study the responsibilities assigned to it, and at the time of the next meeting of the Board present any suggestions as to ways in which the committees may function more adequately, or any changes in the names of the committees, or any other suggestion that will help the Board of Superintendents to render a larger service to the Seminary.

President and Mrs. Beardslee invited the members of the Board to enjoy a social hour in their home in company with members of the Faculty, students and other friends of the Seminary, at the close of the afternoon session.

Rev. Martin F. Luther was elected to succeed Rev. Thomas P. Haig as the Board's representative on the Directors of the Seminary.

EVENING SERVICE

The evening worship service in Worcester Chapel was attended by the entire student body, the Faculty and friends of the Seminary, as well as the members of the Board. After the opening of the service by the Vice-President, Rev. Roscoe M. Giles, the President presented a message based on the words - "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus". The seminary choir rendered a beautiful anthem. The individual examination of the members of the Senior Class, which followed the service, was well sustained.

ARTICLE XI CLOSING

All of the sessions of the Board were opened and closed with prayer.

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ARTICLE XII
ADJOURNMENT

The Commencement Exercises were held in Airpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University, Thursday, May 16, 1946, at 11.30 A. M. The President of the seminary presided and the seminary choir sang the anthem - "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God". The President of the Board of Superintendents read the lesson and offered prayer. The Commencement address was delivered by the Rev. Gerrit T. Vander Lugt, President of Central College, Pella, Iowa, on the subject - "Saul Among the Prophets".

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Elmer Bert Bonte	John Hart
Louis Henry Chisman	John Walter Ter Louw
Ralph Richard Henry Cordes	Harold James VandeBerg
Allan John Weenink	

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty the Directors conferred the degree of Bachelor of Divinity upon the following:

Louis Henry Chisman	Forrest Roosevelt Prindle
Ralph Richard Henry Cordes	Albert George Shiphorst
John Hart	Harold James VandeBerg
Douglas Robertson Macdonald	Allan John Weenink

Adjournment was ordered at the close of the Commencement Exercises.

Cornelius Van Lof

President

Arthur A. A. A.

Temporary Clerk

Walter S. Hogan

Stated Clerk

A special joint meeting of the Board of Superintendents and the Directors of the Seminary was held in the Sage Library, Tuesday Jan. 28, 1947 at 11.00 A. M.

President Beardslee called the meeting to order and led in prayer. The following notice had been sent to each member of the Board and to the Directors:

It has been thought best to call a midyear meeting of both Superintendents and Directors to talk over Seminary affairs. As the Seminary is the concern of both Superintendents and Directors, it is suggested that they meet together. Various questions of general policy, of administration, of the teaching staff will be discussed. Some important decisions should be registered.

Cornelius Van Tol, President

R. M. Giles

James B. Mulder

for the Superintendents

John W. Beardslee, Jr., President

F. M. Potter

Fred Zimmerman

for the Directors

The following members of the Board were present:

Classis

Albany
Bergen
Bergen, South
Greene
Hudson
Long Island, North
Long Island, South
Monmouth
Montgomery
Newark
New Brunswick
New York
Orange
Falisades
Paramus
Passaic
Philadelphia
Poughkeepsie
Raritan
Rensselaer
Rochester
Saratoga
Schenectady
Schoharie
Ulster
Westchester

Rev. Paul E. Ammerman

Rev. John G. Gebhard

Rev. Christian H. Walvoord

Rev. Roscoe M. Giles

Rev. Martin P. Luther

Rev. John Y. Broek

Rev. James B. Mulder

Rev. Ernest R. Palen

Rev. Frederick R. Bosch

Rev. A. Q. Wettstein

Rev. John S. Moore

Rev. Carl J. Schroeder

Rev. Earle W. Hutchison

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol

Rev. Wilfrid H. Hasbrouck

Rev. Jesse F. Durfee

Rev. Elias W. Thompson

The President of the Faculty

Elder Frederick C. Kuehnle was the only member present from the Particular Synods.

Excuses were received from Revs. O. L. F. Mohn, W. E. Compton, Gerritt Timmer, Henry Burggraaff and Henry Senne; also from Elders Stanley R. Crocker and Harry B. Dunlap.

The following Directors were present: President Beardslee, Rev. Edw. B. Jones, Rev. Henry A. Vruwink, Rev. A. L. Warnshuis, Rev. M. P. Luther, Dr. F. M. Potter, Rev. C. Van Tol, Rev. B. J. Mulder and Rev. J. J. Soeter who was appointed Secretary for the Directors.

President Beardslee stated that a year ago he had wanted to resign as president of the Seminary and be relieved of the burden of administration in order to have more time for study. He had acquainted the Directors with his wish but had been persuaded to continue until some provision could be made to relieve him. He spoke highly of the work of Dr. Warnshuis, Mr. Soeter and the Committee on Public Relations without which he could not have carried on. However, he had decided that he must be freed from the duties pertaining to the office of the presidency and his resignation of that office was in the mail, to be effective March 1, 1947.

He then requested Dr. Potter, Vice-President of the Directors, to preside. He also paid high tribute to Dr. Warnshuis who has served as treasurer eighteen months; to Mr. Soeter who has energetically cared for the buildings and grounds; and to the Committee on Public Relations for what they have accomplished in building up the income of the Seminary. Dr. Potter then spoke of the problem which is now faced on account of President Beardslee's decision. He stated that the name of Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo had been suggested in relation to the presidency of the Seminary. It is well known that he has taught at times in the Seminary, that he desires to come in contact with students and that he has come in contact with many young ministers in other denominations also. It was stated that this could be brought about by asking Dr. Sizoo to serve as president, beginning March 1, 1947, the presidency being temporary until the meeting of the General Synod in June.

It was agreed that the subject be considered as a Committee of the whole. The proposal was freely and thoroughly discussed. The following action was taken:

It was
VOTED, That Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo be appointed ad interim President of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, beginning March 1, 1947 and that his name be presented to the General Synod for permanent appointment. It was announced that 13 superintendents voted in favor of the motion, while four requested that they be recorded as not voting, - E. R. Palen, J. Y. Broek, E. W. Thompson and C. H. Walvoord. Inadvertently the vote of President Beardslee, the presiding officer, was not counted but by request later being included makes the affirmative vote 14. 7 of the directors supported the motion, - E. T. Jones by request being recorded as not voting.

It was
VOTED, That Dr. Warnshuis communicate with Dr. Sizoo informing him of the above action. Dr. Warnshuis had previously stated that Dr. Sizoo had said if he accepted the appointment he would serve without salary, but on condition that a residence be provided for himself and also for his secretary with salary.

Dr. Beardslee's resignation was referred to the Directors. Dr. Potter and the President of the Board of Superintendents, Mr. Van Tol, were appointed to prepare suitable resolutions in recognition of President Beardslee's service and to felicitate him upon the opportunity to indulge his desire for further study in the continuation of his professorial duties.

President Beardslee spoke of the lack of historical books on theology in our library which the Seminary has not sufficient funds to purchase. He stated the library has an extremely valuable large volume of the original collection by the American ornithologist, J. J. Audubon. This was included in the original gift of Gardner Sage, the donor of the library. The volume has been appraised at \$15,000. It was recommended that the collection be sold and the desired purchases be made. It was
VOTED, That the recommendation be approved.

J. S. Moore, acting chairman of the Committee on Examinations, reported that Charles W. Krahe, William Matthews and Richard N. Vos

had passed their final examination and been recommended by the Faculty for Professorial Certificates. This mid-year completion of their course took place before the regular meeting of the Board. The committee recommended that Mr. Krake and Mr. Matthews appear before this meeting for the usual examination in reasons for desiring the ministry. This was done. Mr. Vos could not be present because his Classis in the West required his attendance at this time. The action of the committee was approved and Professorial Certificates were granted.

Upon the recommendation of President Beardslee it was VOTED, That Mr. Croxton, instructor in voice culture, be engaged for the second semester at a salary of \$400.00.

It was

VOTED, That Mr. Vander Kolk be re-engaged for 1947-1948 for the chair of Systematic Theology.

Mr. Soeter reported that he and Mr. Craig had superintended the installation of an oil burner, new wiring and lighting, and bath rooms for the third floor in Hertzog Hall; a complete new heating plant in Suydam Hall; and also some necessary limited renovation of the professorial houses. They anticipate further repairs and renovations of all the buildings on the campus and new pavements for the driveways when funds are available. Messrs Craig, Soeter and Warnshuis were voted the thanks of the Directors and Superintendents.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FACULTY AND STUDENT RELATIONSHIPS

At the meeting of the Board of Superintendents in May, 1946, a committee of students appeared and presented a report which was representative of the unanimous action of the student body. That report included a number of vigorous criticisms of the administration of the Seminary in general, and specific complaints regarding some members of the Faculty. No comment on that action of the students need be made here, other than to recall that one of its features was a request that the Board of Superintendents appoint a Committee on Faculty Student Relationships. The committee appointed included Messrs. Mulder, Schroeder and Giles.

This committee spent a day at the Seminary on January 16, 1947. Conferences were held with the student body as a whole, and with the two senior students, Messrs. Sibley and Atwood, who are its elected spokesmen, and with the Faculty. The members of the committee also visited some classes, ate lunch with the students in the Seminary dining room, and had personal conferences with various of the students and Faculty members. As a result of this day's experiences, your committee presents this report, believing that there are some matters which merit the consideration of the Superintendents.

1. The feeling seems to be general among the students that the morale of the student body is low. Various reasons are suggested, of which the strongest is that there are many married students for whom no living quarters are available on the campus. Many of the students have little contact with one another outside of the class-rooms, and non-resident students do not participate in student activities to any extent.

Your committee recommends that any plans for modernizing the Seminary buildings should make more adequate provision for living quarters for married students.

2. There is evidently a strong desire on the part of the students for more intimate contacts with the members of the Board of Superintendents. This matter was discussed with the Faculty with the result that it was agreed that the system of assigning each student to a Superintendent who is to serve as his "big brother", is to be reinstated.

Your committee recommends that each Superintendent to whom a teacher is assigned, take this responsibility seriously and make the most of it.

3. A very sore spot with the students is the fact that Hebrew is a required subject. It is not necessary to reproduce their arguments here because they are familiar to every minister.

Your committee members are not unanimous in this matter, but it seems appropriate to suggest to the Superintendents who are in agreement with the sentiments of the students, that they introduce overtures at the meetings of their respective Classes calling for placing Hebrew on an elective rather than a required basis.

4. With the exception of the Hebrew requirement, there seems to be general agreement on the part of the students that the present curriculum is sound, but that in some cases the manner in which the subject matter is taught leaves much to be desired. There are specific complaints in this area that need not come before this meeting because it is the feeling of the committee that these complaints should first be brought to the attention of the professors in question. However, in the opinion of the members of the committee, two matters seem to merit the attention of this group.

a. A person who is called to a Seminary Chair is provided with a residence, and assured of a reasonably generous salary, and it is assumed that he will henceforth regard his teaching and the attending academic research and allied activities his calling in the Christian ministry. It seems altogether appropriate to suggest that it should be a matter of direct concern to the Superintendents that professors adhere to this conception of their calling, and not allow other interests to encroach upon their time and occupy their attention to such a degree that their teaching ministry suffers.

In this connection, reference may well be made to the fact that a senior student stated that in his entire seminary course, he had ^{had} ~~met~~ rayer with a member of the Faculty. Since our student body is very small, it should be possible for every professor to maintain a personal, pastoral relationship with each of his pupils. Your committee is convinced that this procedure would do a great deal to improve student morale, and to remove many of the causes of dissatisfaction. Action has already been introduced by the Faculty which gives promise of helping this situation greatly.

b. Considerations such as have been mentioned very naturally raise a question concerning the validity of the provisions of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America, whereby a professor, once called and installed in a seminary chair, cannot be removed unless he becomes subject to disciplinary action. Your committee is aware of the strength of the arguments in favor of such a procedure. At the same time the conclusion is inescapable that some suitable method should be devised whereby changes in the teaching staff can be made if these seem necessary.

5. Careful inquiry was made regarding the work of Mr. Vander Koo who has been supplying the Chair of Systematic Theology during the current season. The students appear to be unanimous in their personal liking for him, and to feel that, on the whole, ^{his work} as a teacher has been excellent.

The other members of this committee may desire to supplement this report with other comments. We do not feel that we have done any more than make a start at the responsibility which has been assigned to us, but it would be most helpful to us if some consideration could be given to the matters mentioned in this report.

James B. Mulder

Carl Schroeder

Roscoe M. Giles, Chairman

After the report had been discussed the Committee was thanked for its work and requested to continue its studies and make further reports.

The joint meeting of the Directors and Board of Superintendents adjourned with prayer by Dr. J. Y. Broek.

Joseph S. Hogan

Stated Clerk

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Sage Library, Wednesday afternoon, May 21, 1947, at 2 o'clock. Sessions were also held in the evening and Thursday morning.

ARTICLE I OPENING

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol, the President, called the meeting to order and offered the opening prayer.

ARTICLE II ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

CLASSES

Albany	Rev. Paul E. Ammerman
Bergen	Rev. John G. Gebhard
Bergen, South	Rev. Thomas Lamont
Greene	Rev. Robert Clementz
Hudson	Rev. Christian H. Walvoord
Long Island, North	Rev. Roscoe M. Giles
Long Island, South	Rev. Martin P. Luther
Monmouth	Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn
Montgomery	Rev. Walter S. Maines
Newark	Rev. John V. Broek
New Brunswick	Rev. James B. Mulder
New York	
Orange	Rev. Frederick R. Bosch
Palisades	Rev. Adalbert Q. Wettstein
Paramus	Rev. John S. Moore
Passaic	Rev. Carl J. Schroeder
Philadelphia	Rev. Earle W. Hutchison
Poughkeepsie	Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Raritan	Rev. Wilfred H. Hasbrouck
Rensselaer	Rev. William E. Compton
Rochester	Rev. Gerrit Timmer
Saratoga	Rev. Henry J. Burggraaff
Schenectady	Rev. Bertram D. Atwood
Schoharie	Rev. Jesse F. Durfee
Ulster	Rev. Harvey I. Todd
Westchester	Rev. Elias W. Thompson

PARTICULAR SYNODS

Albany	Elder Richard C. Kennedy
Albany	
Chicago	Rev. Gerritt De Motts
Iowa	Rev. Henry F. Senne

New Brunswick
New Brunswick
New York
New York

Ex-Officio

The President of the Seminary

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

By the rule of the Board the Vice-President, Rev. Roscoe M. Giles, succeeded to the office of President. Rev. James B. Mulder was elected Vice-President and Rev. Paul E. Ammerman Temporary Clerk.

ARTICLE IV

READING OF MINUTES AND RULES OF ORDER

The minutes of the annual and special meetings were read and approved. The reading of the Rules of Order was not called for.

ARTICLE V POINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

REPORT OF FACULTY

Rev. Paul E. Ammerman
Rev. Frederick R. Bosch

Rev. Elias W. Thompson
Rev. Christian H. Walvoord

SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Henry F. Senne

Rev. Walter S. Maines
Rev. Earle W. Hutchison

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Carl J. Schroeder

Rev. John Y. Broek
Rev. Earle W. Hutchison

EXAMINATIONS

Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn
Rev. John Y. Broek
Rev. John S. Moore

Rev. Carl J. Schroeder
Rev. Adalbert Q. Wettstein
Rev. James B. Mulder

INSTRUCTION

Rev. John Y. Broek

Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Martin P. Luther

FACULTY-STUDENT RELATIONS

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol

Rev. Harvey I. Todd
Rev. Jesse F. Durfee

RESOLUTIONS

Rev. William E. Compton

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol

ARTICLE VI COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Rev. Ernest R. Palen stating his inability to be present on account of previous appointments.

Communications were received announcing the following nominations to fill unexpired terms: Rev. John G. Gebhard for the term of Rev. Harold Klein, Classis of Bergen; Rev. Jesse F. Durfee for the term of Rev. C. Dykhuizen, Classis of Schoharie; Rev. Wilfrid H. Hasbrouck for the term of Rev. Andrew A. Burkhardt, Classis of Raritan; Rev. Harvey I. Todd for the term of Rev. George Berens, Classis of Ulster; and Rev. Gerrit Timmer for the term of Rev. Willis Vander Kooi, Classis of Rochester.

A copy of the Report of the Faculty was provided for each member of the Board and referred to the committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

The Committee met in the office of the Seminary at 5 P.M. with the following members present (Sept. 18, 1946): Rev. John S. Moore, (Chairman); Rev. James B. Mulder, Rev. Carl J. Schroeder, Rev. John Y. Broek; also President Beardslee, Dr. James, Dr. Hoffman, Dr. Weber and Rev. Vander Kolk from the Faculty. Dr. Broek led in prayer.

The following students were presented by Dr. Beardslee:-
Rev. George Adalbert Gosper, minister in the First Baptist Church of Keyport, N. J., graduate of the Eastern Baptist Seminary in their six year course with B. A. and B. Th. degrees. He wishes to take one year work here for our E. D. degree. It was voted to accept him in the Senior Class.

Mr. John Charles De Boer, graduate of University of Michigan in engineering, with the B.S.E. (A.E.) degree, July 1944. He is the son of our former missionary who died in India. He is a member of the Bellmore, N.Y., Methodist Church, whose pastor sent a hearty letter of recommendation. It was voted that he be accepted in the Junior Class.

Mr. Joseph Elmer Hausman, Jr., a graduate of Rutgers University 1946, with the A. B. degree, and a member of our Second Reformed Church in Irvington, N. J. A letter from the Rev. A. C. Freeman, his pastor commending him to the Seminary, was read. It was voted that he be admitted to the Junior Class.

Mr. Kenneth Arthur Stickney, a graduate of the Moody Bible School, student at Asbury College, Ky., one year at Hope College and at Hope College two years from which latter he received the A. B. degree on the basis of the work done at the other two institutions and two years at Hope. He is a member of the Brighton Reformed Church at Rochester, N. Y. of which the Rev. Anthony Luidens, D. D., is pastor, and who sent a letter commending him to the Seminary. Mr. Stickney was married during the past summer. It was voted to receive him as a student in the Junior Class.

A motion was made and carried empowering the Faculty to receive any other candidates who may apply in the interim.

The Committee adjourned after prayer by the Rev. Carl J. Schroeder.

William A. Weber, Secretary John S. Moore, Chairman

REPORT OF THE FACULTY

May 14, 1947

On May 15th, 1946 at the regular meeting of the Board of Superintendents, Professorial Certificates and Bachelor of Divinity degrees were granted to the following graduates of the Seminary:

PROFESSORIAL CERTIFICATES AND B.D. DEGREE

Louis Henry Chisman	Keyport, N. J.
Ralph Richard Henry Cordes	Titonka, Iowa
John Hart	Jersey City, N. J.
Harold James Vande Berg	Hospers, Iowa
Allan John Weenink	Kalamazoo, Mich.

PROFESSORIAL CERTIFICATE

Elmer Bert Bonte	Bristow, Iowa
John Walter Ter Louw	Steen, Minn.

BACHELOR OF DIVINITY

Douglas Robertson MacDonald	Glendale, N. Y.
Forrest Roosevelt Prindle	Greenwood Heights, N. Y.
Albert George Shiphorst	Keyport, N. J.

The following students have been enrolled in the three classes during the past year:

SENIOR CLASS

Harry John Almond	Glen Ridge, N. J.
Donner Bates Atwood	Albany, N. Y.
Elmer Bert Bonte	Bristow, Iowa
Leonard Pieter Bruijn	Heteren, Netherlands
George Adelbert Cosper	Keyport, N. J.
Pieter Jan De Bruijn	The Hague, Netherlands
Calvin Thomas De Vries	Sibley, Iowa
Charles William Krahe	Long Island City, N. Y.
Henry Christian Kreutzer, Jr.	Yonkers, N. Y.
John Edward Lucius	Flushing, N. Y.

William Matthews
 Arthur Leroy Maye
 Leonard Alexander Sibley, Jr.
 Donald Boyce Swartwout
 Richard Nance Vos

Richmond Hill, N. Y.
 Mullica Hill, N. J.
 Jersey City, N. J.
 Greenville, N. Y.
 Roseland, Minn.

MIDDLE CLASS

Frederick Jacob Baumgardner
 John Richard Hawkins
 Richard Hine, Jr.
 Robert Mitchell Runge

Elmhurst, N. Y.
 Albany, N. Y.
 Chicago, Ill.
 Bound Brook, N. J.

JUNIOR CLASS

Wilbur Ray Brandli
 John Charles De Boer
 Jan Willem Falkenburg
 Joseph Elmer Hausmann, Jr.
 Ernest Stillwell Heeren
 Arvin Wilfred Roos
 Alan Christian Staver
 Kenneth Arthur Stickney
 Oswell Livingston Summers

Union City, N. J.
 Pompton Plains, N. J.
 The Hague, Netherlands
 Irvington, N. J.
 Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Littleton, Colo.
 Niskayuna, N. Y.
 Rochester, N. Y.
 Eau Claire, Wis.

The total enrollment this year was 28: 15 Seniors, 4 Middlers, and 9 Juniors. Three students came from the Netherlands on scholarships sponsored by the Seminary, two from the Hague and one from Heteren, Netherlands. Ten students supplied pulpits regularly and were consequently on a four year basis. The rest of the Senior and Middle class students were given opportunity to preach in different churches almost every Sunday, while the students of the Junior Class were assigned as heretofore to local Reformed Churches to assist pastors in the Church School, Young People's Work, and occasionally in the pulpit.

The Chapel services of the Seminary were conducted half of the time by the students, the other times by members of the Faculty and invited ministers or visiting missionaries.

The student Committee on Religious Activities also arranged for communion services at Thanksgiving, Christmas, Ash Wednesday, and Maundy Thursday.

An innovation this year was an arrangement for gathering of the whole Seminary family, students, Faculty and wives on Thursday evenings with a dinner in Hertzog Hall, followed by a period of devotions in the chapel and then a meeting in one of the homes of the professors where topics of interest were presented by invited speakers as follows:

Missions in the Local Parish	Miss Ruth Ransom
Visual Education in the Local Church	Rev. W. Carman Trembly
The Christian Church in the Orient Today	Dr. Luman J. Shafer
The Financial Administration, Local Parish	Rev. John J. Soeter
Divisions Within the Reformed Church	Rev. Harry Ver Strate
	Dr. Milton J. Hoffman
	Rev. David Van Strien

The Experience of Twenty-five Years

The students held a retreat last fall at Camp Brett, Anandale, N. Y. at which Dr. Ralph Sockman was one of the speakers.

A number of the students attended an Interseminary Conference at Scranton, Pa., on Nov. 7, 8, 9 and are planning to have representatives at the June meeting to be held at Oxford, Ohio.

Among other activities of the students, mention should be made of boxes of food and clothing which have been sent to the Netherlands and of approximately \$100 which was divided as follows: 1/3 to the Basrah Boys' School; 1/3 for hymn books and Scriptures for Japanese missions; and 1/3 to the Theological Seminary in South India.

The wives of the married students have been meeting with Dr. Beardslee and Rev. Vander Kolk in weekly sessions of study. The students continue to operate the dining hall on a cooperative basis and report a successful year.

Another number of "The Seminary Voice" was published by students who contributed essays, articles and book reviews.

In addition to the regular Faculty, the Rev. Justin Vander Kolk taught courses in Systematic Theology, Dr. Julius A. Bewer taught two courses each semester in Old Testament and Hebrew Exegesis, Dr. Luman J. Shafer, Reformed Church Missions, the Rev. Gerrit Van Peursem, Arabic, Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo, a course on Preaching, and the Rev. Charles W. Krahe taught beginning Hebrew and beginning Greek. Dr. James conducted a Preaching Mission in Pittsburgh during Lent for the United Presbyterian Churches of that city.

The opening address at the beginning school year, September 1, 1946, was given by the President, Dr. Beardslee.

At the Conference for Ministers on September 16 and 17, Professor Theophilous Taylor, Professor of New Testament Exegesis in Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary, spoke on "Wanted: A New Reformation", and Dr. Gerrit T. Vander Lugt, President of Central College, Pella, Iowa, spoke on "Wanted: A Fresh Interpretation of Reformed Truths".

The Rev. Marion De Velder of Hope Reformed Church, Holland, Michigan, and Director of the United Advance Movement spoke at Chapel on October 31 and explained in detail the appeal to the churches involved in this movement.

Dr. Beardslee wanting to be relieved of the office of President of the Seminary, the Board of Directors reluctantly accepted his resignation and, together with the Board of Superintendents, appointed the Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo to fill the vacancy until the meeting of the General Synod. Dr. Sizoo assumed the duties of that office on March 1st, and has been helping students and Faculty to close the year's work with renewed vigor and high expectation for further advance in the life and work of the Seminary.

Members of the Faculty again visited a number of Classes in the Fall and Spring sessions to press home the need of pastors and elders discovering young men whom God is calling into the ministry and missionary fields, and guiding such in their preparation in college and seminary for their work.

The Faculty designated Dr. Beardslee to be their delegate to General Synod this year, with Dr. Hoffman as alternate.

The Seminary was happy to entertain three leaders of the South India United Church who were sent as a deputation to visit the churches of our country last fall and stayed until March:- The Rev. Arthur John, Mrs. Arputham William and Mr. Jared S. Savarirayan. Their stay here was a distinct contribution to students and Faculty in broadening the knowledge and understanding of the church and life in India, and the progress of the South India Union of Churches.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted:-

George Augustus Sandham Scholarships:

Senior Class Charles William Krahe

Middle Class Richard Hine, Jr.

Junior Class Ernest Stillwell Heeren

Mary B. Doolittle Prize in New Testament

Arvin Wilfred Roos

The Rev. Edward Lodewick Prize in Preaching

Leonard Alexander Sibley, Jr.

William A. Weber

Secretary of the Faculty

On motion this report was received and referred to the Committee on the Faculty Report.

ARTICLE VII REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS

Your Committee on Examinations reports that individually and collectively the members of your Committee have visited the Seminary on several occasions during the year.

On April 22nd, near the close of the second semester, the Committee met, at the call of the chairman, in the Seminary office, from which they went forth to inspect the several class-rooms, while instruction was being given. After Adjournment of the classes opportunity was given to interview the professors and the students. At noon another opportunity was afforded to confer with the students during the luncheon hour.

Your Committee also convened on May 21st. On that morning, as on April 22nd, we inspected the examination papers, theses and sermons submitted by the students through the Faculty.

We are pleased to report that:

We are impressed with the care and thought which these several test papers revealed;

We were convinced that the Faculty had fulfilled their official requirements and discharged their responsibilities in a favorable and satisfactory manner;

We commend the Faculty for the result of their of their year's work

We recommend that they require the students of the Senior Class to submit a written sermon to our Committee on some day before the close of the first semester;

We approve the meritorious work of the members of the several classes and RECOMMEND That professorial Certificates be granted to the members of the Senior Class and that the members of the other classes be advanced in course.

Otto L. M. Mohn, Chairman

It was

VOTED, That the Recommendation of the Committee be approved, and adopted

ARTICLE VIII REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

Your Committee on Instruction of the Board of Superintendents presents the following report concerning the qualifications of Rev. Hugh B. MacLean as Instructor in Old Testament for the academic year 1947-1948.

Dr. MacLean has been considered by this Committee for a long time. They investigated him very carefully. He is a product of St. Andrews University and Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University. He holds the degree of Doctor of Theology, granted for study, not as an honorary degree. All who know him speak of him as a young man of attractive personality and winning ways. For the last few years he has been a chaplain in the British Air Force; in fact he has been Chief of Chaplains in the Near East for some time, with headquarters in Jerusalem. This stay in Palestine he has used to acquaint himself with the country. For his scholarship, we have the commendation of his teachers. He wrote for us a thorough statement of his convictions about the reality of Christianity and the place of Christ in the Christian religion. This paper received the thorough-going approval of every member of the Committee, who not only heard it read but were provided with a copy for detailed consideration. He is a Presbyterian minister.

John Yonker Broek, Chairman

John Seymour Moore

Martin Paul Luther, Committee

COMMITTEE ON FACULTY-STUDENT RELATIONS

A verbal report was made by the chairman, Rev. Roscoe M. Giles, to the effect that nothing is to be added to the report made by that Committee at the special joint meeting with the Directors in January. The chairman spoke of the notable improved conditions since the coming of the ad interim President.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RESIGNATION OF

DR. JOHN W. BEARDSLEE, JR.

At the joint meeting of the Board of Superintendents and the Directors January 28, 1947, a special committee was appointed to prepare a suitable resolution in regard to the resignation of President Beardslee. Dr. F. M. Potter, from the Directors, and Rev. Cornelius Van Tol, President of the Board, were appointed. Their report which follows was unanimously approved: Jr.

Rev. J. W. Beardslee, D. D., was appointed President of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in January, 1935, by the Board of Directors, succeeding Dr. William H. S. Demarest in that office. He was duly elected to that office by the General Synod in June 1936. His twelve years of service in that capacity have witnessed great progress, particularly in the development of the academic standing of the institution. New Brunswick Theological Seminary is accredited in Class A "without notation" by the American Association of Theological Schools, this being their highest classification, reserved for only a limited number of Seminaries. This enviable position New Brunswick owes in large part to the patient, tireless, painstaking planning of Dr. Beardslee.

The name of Dr. Beardslee is held in reverence by the long succession of ministers who have had the privilege of studying under him. His scholarship, his vivid expositions of Scripture, his provocative style of teaching have made his classes interesting, stimulating and invaluable in preparation for the work to which the students are called.

With the desire of Dr. Beardslee to be relieved of administrative duties in order to be able to devote more time to teaching and research, we have every sympathy. We thank him for his great service as President; we congratulate him and the Seminary that for the closing years of his service he can have freedom to turn to the more scholarly tasks for which he is so eminently fitted. We wish him every success in his continued ministry to the young men of the Church.

It was

VOTED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Dr. Beardslee and also to the Church Herald.

ARTICLE IX REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF FACULTY

The Committee on the Report of the Faculty has received the report and find that it is in order.

P. E. Ammerman, Chairman
Fred. R. Bosch
C. H. Walvoord

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES

After a careful examination of the Minutes of Synod of 1946 we find nothing requiring the special action of this Board.

H. F. Senne, Chairman
W. S. Maines
E. W. Hutchison

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee on Resolutions of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary met in regular session May 21 and would report:

Be it resolved that we thank God for His evident presence during the past year in the Seminary and its work;

Be it resolved that we bear testimony to the wonderful leadership of Dr. Beardslee and we rejoice that he will continue with us in his teaching work;

We are most thankful to Dr. Sizoo for his address and information on Wednesday afternoon. We rejoice in his wide ^{view} of the Seminary's future and the work already done;

Resolved that we pledge to the Seminary Faculty our wholehearted support, from a wide experience and association with them we believe they are giving their very best to the Seminary, are wholly consecrated to Christ their Master and faithful in the service of the Reformed Church.

We ask the prayers of the Church for them and their work.

William E. Compton

Cornelius Van Tol

This report was received and adopted.

ARTICLE X NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Sizoo, ad interim President of the Seminary, was invited to address the Board at the afternoon session. He told of his various conferences with the Faculty as a body and with individual members of the Faculty also with the student body and with individual students. Year after year he has been a lecturer at the Seminary and a personal counsellor of the students. He spoke of the varied needs of the Seminary and told of some improvements already made in the buildings, the need of further repairs, and changes now under way for the housing of the students, and the effort to establish a stronger bond among the students themselves and with the Faculty. He reported that he had already had conferences with students at such universities as Cornell, Harvard and Syracuse to interest them in the work of the ministry.

All of the members of the Faculty were received later and each one spoke of his special department. Questions were asked and answered, and a profitable discussion followed.

The Board voted to appoint a special committee to express their feeling in regard to certain criticisms and charges circulated in printed form which threaten the peace and harmony of the Reformed Church. This committee presented the following report:

RESOLVED THAT

We, the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary regard with deep concern the statements made in certain recent publications distributed throughout our Denomination which indiscriminately allege the heretical teachings and thought emanating from the Seminary.

We wish to record our concern over the methods used, and our regret about the unsubstantiated attacks made upon the integrity and character of the Faculty and the unsound doctrinal beliefs of the graduates and student body. These allegations are detrimental to the Seminary, the ministry and the peace of the Church.

We strongly express our complete confidence in the integrity and teaching of the Faculty and in the Christian convictions of the students. These are in keeping with the Doctrinal Standards of the Church.

We therefore recommend to the General Synod that hereafter those making charges against individuals or Institutions of the Church use the Constitutional channels.

John S. Moore, Chairman

J. Gebhard

H. F.enne

B. D. Atwood

Cornelius Van Tol

A motion was made and supported that the roll of the members of the Board of Superintendents be called to find out whether or not the Board approves the policy of the Committee on Instruction in selecting teachers, instructors and professors for the New Brunswick Theological Seminary selecting those who are best qualified and available whether they are or are not members of the Reformed Church. The rolling of the roll resulted in a vote of approval by every member of the Board.

The Board unanimously voted to express to the General Synod its conviction of the impropriety of any inquiry at the present time concerning the union of our Seminaries. Not until the question of our union with the United Presbyterian Church is settled can the future location of Seminaries be intelligently and wisely discussed.

EVENING SERVICE

The evening worship service in Worcester Chapel was attended by the entire student body, the Faculty and friends of the Seminary, as well as members of the Board. After the opening of the service by the Vice-President of the Board, the President, Rev. Roscoe M. Giles, delivered the address of the evening. This service was followed by the individual examination of the members of the Senior Class. The examinations were well sustained.

ARTICLE XI

CLOSING

All of the sessions of the Board were opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE XII

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was ordered at the close of the Commencement Exercises which were held in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University, 11.30 A.M. Thursday, May 22, 1947, the President of the Seminary presiding.

Rev. Roscoe M. Giles, the President of the Board of Superintendents, read the Scripture and led in prayer.

Rev. F. Raymond Clee, D. D., LL.D., pastor of the First Reformed Church of Albany, delivered the Commencement address on the subject - "Keeping Abreast With the Times".

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Harry John Almond	Calvin Thomas DeVries
Donner Bates Atwood	Henry Christian Kreutzer, Jr.
Leonard Pieter Bruijn	John Edward Lucius
Pieter Jan DeBruijn	Leonard Alexander Sibley, Jr.
Donald Boyce Swartwout	

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty the Directors conferred the degree of Bachelor of Divinity upon the nine who received Professorial Certificates and also upon the following:

Elmer Bert Bonte	Charles William Krahe, Jr.
John Walter Ter Louw	William Matthews
Newton McPherson Coughenour	Richard Nance Vos

PRESIDENT

Paul E. Ammerman

TEMPORARY CLERK

Jasper S. Hoyer
STATED CLERK

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Sage Library, Monday afternoon May 10, 1948, at 2 o'clock. Sessions were also held in the evening and Tuesday morning.

ARTICLE I OPENING

In the absence of the President, Rev. Roscoe M. Giles, who was unavoidably detained, the meeting was called to order by the Vice-President Rev. James B. Mulder. The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Gerrit de

ARTICLE II ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

CLASSES

Albany

Rev. Paul E. Ammerman

Bergen

Bergen, South

Greene

Rev. Robert Clementz

Hudson

Rev. Christian A. Walvoord

Long Island, North

Long Island, South

Rev. Martin P. Luther

Monmouth

Montgomery

Rev. Walter S. Maines

Newark

Rev. John Y. Broek

New Brunswick

Rev. James M. Mulder

New York

Orange

Rev. John H. Ludlum

Palisades

Paramus

Rev. John S. Moore

Passaic

Rev. Carl Schroeder

Philadelphia

Rev. Earle W. Hutchison

Poughkeepsie

Rev. Cornelius Van Tol

Raritan

Rev. George I. Robertson

Rensselaer

Rochester

Rev. Arnold E. Dykhuizen

Saratoga

Rev. Maurice Snyder

Schenectady

Schoharie

Rev. William Duitsman

Ulster

Rev. Harvey I. Todd

Westchester

PARTICULAR SYNODS

Albany

Albany

Chicago

Iowa

Rev. Gerritt de Motts

New Brunswick -Now New Jersey

New Brunswick

New York

New York

Ex-Officio

The President of the Faculty

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

By the rule of the Board Rev. James B. Mulder, the Vice-President, succeeded to the office of President. Rev. Martin P. Luther was elected Vice-President and Rev. Christian A. Walvoord Temporary Clerk.

ARTICLE IV

READING OF MINUTES AND RULES OF ORDER.

The minutes of the annual meeting were read and approved. The reading of the Rules of Order was not called for.

ARTICLE V APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

REPORT OF FACULTY

Rev. John H. Ludlum Rev. Carl J. Schroeder
Rev. Robert Clementz

SYNODICAL MINUTES

Rev. Christian A. Walvoord Rev. Harvey I. Todd
Rev. William Duitsman

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. John S. Moore Rev. Earle W. Hutchison

EXAMINATIONS

Rev. John S. Moore Rev. Martin P. Luther
Rev. Ernest R. Palen Rev. George I. Robertson
Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. James B. Mulder

RESOLUTIONS

Rev. Paul E. Ammerman Rev. Walter S. Maines
Rev. Arnold E. Dykhuizen

INSTRUCTION

Rev. John Y. Broek Rev. John S. Moore
Rev. Martin P. Luther

ARTICLE VI COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received announcing the following nominations to fill unexpired terms: Rev. Albert G. Shiphorst for the term of Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn, Classis of monmouth; Rev. John H. Ludlum for the term of Rev. F. R. Bosch; and Rev. Arnold E. Dykhuizen for the term of Rev. Gerrit Timmer.

Excuses were presented by Rev. Bertram D. Atwood, Rev. Roscoe M. Giles and Elder F. C. Kuhnle. Sickness prevented to attendance of Rev. Wm. E. Compton and caused the resignations of Rev. Otto L. F. Mohn and Elder Richard C. Kennedy. Special prayer was offered for these three and the stated clerk was directed to express to them the sympathy of the Board and assure them of the appreciation of their long terms of faithful service.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

The committee met September 24, 1947. Present the Rev's. John S. Moore, John Y. Broek, James B. Mulder and Carl J. Schroeder, and members of the Faculty of the Seminary. Dr. Broek opened the meeting with prayer.

President Sizoo read the list of students and their credentials who were applying for admission to the Seminary, as follows:-

James C. Eelman, a Baptist minister, graduate of Arizona State University with high honors, 1947.

Warren John Henseler, graduate of Rutgers University, 1947. Member of Faith-Van Vorst Reformed Church, Jersey City.

Lee Kester, graduate of Central College, 1947, and member of Talmage Memorial Church, Philadelphia.

Donald Ross Macneill, who is finishing his course at Rutgers University, member of his father's church at Hempstead, N. Y.

John Martin Pfromm a graduate in Engineering from Stephens Institute of Technology 1942 and member of Rev. John S. Moore's church in Hawthorne, N. J.

Runyon Lorain Wolf, graduate of Rutgers University 1947, and member of the Suydam Street Reformed Church, New Brunswick, N. J.
 Frederick Brooks Sanders, a Baptist minister in Old Bridge, N. J. and a graduate of Wheaton College 1947.
 John Meyers, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, New Brunswick who lacks 18 points for graduation from Columbia University.
 Ernest Wendell Stephen, a Seventh Day Baptist preaching in Plainfield, N. J., a graduate of Salem College, Salem, W. Va., in 1945, with one year's work in Alfred University Theological School and eight units of credit earned at Yale University Divinity School.
 Sjoerd De Roest, a student from the Netherlands who is here on a scholarship. He has both his AB. and B. D. degrees from the University in Holland.

These students were then presented to the Committee in a group. It was voted to accept them as students of the Seminary.

Mr. Wilson Herbert Rinker, who is studying at Teachers College in Stroudsburg, Pa., and serving the Reformed Church in Dingman's Ferry, Pa., was enrolled in our class of 1949.

It was moved that the Faculty be authorized to receive any other students who may present themselves as applicants for admission to the Seminary.

President Sizoo then presented Dr. Hugh MacLean, who has been appointed to teach Old Testament and Hebrew Exegesis this year.

Moved to adjourn. Rev. Carl J. Schroeder offered the closing prayer:
 William A. Weber, Secretary

September 30, 1947. The Faculty received Mr. Willoughby Frederick Senior, a Methodist preaching near Lakewood, N. J., and graduate of Brothers College Drew University (lacking a comprehensive examination in Philosophy) who will take his theological studies in our Seminary with the consent of his Bishop and Conference Superintendent.

The Faculty also admitted Rufus Martin Tindall Hutchison a student at the Agricultural College, Rutgers University, working for his Masters degree there. He asked to take a course in Bible which was granted.

William A. Weber, Secretary

REPORT OF THE FACULTY

A copy of this report had been sent to each member of the Board and is as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FACULTY TO THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY MAY 10, 1948

Fathers and Brethren:

At the meeting of the Board of Superintendents on May 21, 1947, the following Professorial Certificates and B. D. degrees were granted these graduates:

Harry John Almond
 Donner Bates Atwood
 Leonard Pieter Bruyn
 Pieter Jan Bruyn
 Calvin Thomas De Vries
 Charles William Krahe
 Henry Christian Kreutzer, Jr.
 John Edward Lucius
 William Matthews
 Leonard Alexander Sibley, Jr.
 Donald Boyce Swartwout
 Richard Nance Vos

Glen Ridge, N. J.
 Albany, N. Y.
 Heteren, Netherlands
 The Hague, Netherlands
 Sibley, Iowa
 Long Island City, N. Y.
 Yonkers, N. Y.
 Flushing, N. Y.
 Richmond Hill, N. Y.
 Jersey City, N. J.
 Greenville, N. Y.
 Roseland, Minn.

In addition the B.D. degree was granted to the following:

Elmer Bert Bonte

Newton MacPherson Coughenour

John Walter Ter Louw

Bristow, Iowa

Point Pleasant Beach, N. J.

Steen, Minn.

The registration in the three classes this year was as follows:

SENIOR CLASS

George Albert Cospers

Keyport, N. J.

A.B. Eastern Baptist Theol. Sem. 1946

Th. B. " " " 1946

Sjoerd De Roest

Franeker, Netherlands

University of Groningen

John Richard Hawkins, Jr.

Albany, N. Y.

A.B. Rutgers 1943

Richard Hine, Jr.

Chicago, Ill.

A.B. Hope 1945

Robert Mitchell Runge

Bound Brook, N. J.

A. B. Rutgers 1944

MIDDLE CLASS

Frederick Jacob Baumgardner

Elmhurst, N. Y.

B.S. New York University 1946

Wilbur Ray Brandli

Union City, N. J.

A.B. Hope 1946

John Charles De Boer

Pompton Plains, N. J.

B.S.E. Michigan 1944

Joseph Elmer Hausman, Jr.

Irvington, N. J.

A.B. Rutgers 1946

Ernest Stillwell Heeren

Brooklyn, N. Y.

A.B. Rutgers 1942

Arvin Wilfred Roos

Littleton, Colo.

A.B. Central 1943

Alan Christian Staver

Niskayuna, N. Y.

A.B. Hope 1946

Ernest Wendell Stephan

Mortonville, Kan.

A.B. Salem 1945

Kenneth Arthur Stickney

Rochester, N. Y.

A.B. Hope 1946

JUNIOR CLASS

James C. Eelman

Tucson, Ariz.

A.B. Arizona 1947

Warren John Henseler

Jersey City, N. J.

A.B. Rutgers 1947

Martin Tindall Hutchison

Elizabeth, N. J.

B.S. Rutgers 1944

Lee Llewellyn Kester, Jr.

Philadelphia, Pa.

A.B. Central 1947

Donald Ross MacNeill

Garden City, N. Y.

Rutgers

John Read Meyers

Highland Park, N. J.

Columbia University

John Martin Pfromm

Hawthorne, N. J.

Mech. Eng. Stevens Inst. of Tech. 1942

Frederick Brooks Sanders

Woodbury, N. J.

A.B. Wheaton 1947

Willoughby Frederick Senior

Haledon, N. J.

Brothers

Runyon Lorraine Wolff

New Brunswick, N. J.

A.B. Rutgers 1947

The total enrollment this year was 24; five Seniors, nine Middlers and ten Juniors. Seven of these students are four-year men, since they

churches as has been the custom for many years. The Society of Inquiry conducted a Retreat at the Morris

as Student Aid to our Seminary in Vellore, India, and Mr. Alan Staver was elected President of the

Middle Atlantic Region, of the Inter-Seminary Conference. In addition to sharing the social fun,

and the Minister's Wife.

special lecture by some invited speaker.

the following:

series of The Preacher and His Message, at Hartford Theological Seminary

churches at Ridgewood, N. J.

Dr. James, besides six special Lenten services, gave the noonday

addresses at Schenectady and Middleburg during Holy Week.

Elizabeth Community School.

School in "How to Teach Religion".

the ministry, and to give the Seminary continued financial support.

With the opportunities and challenge of the Christian ministry.

Classis of New Brunswick. H. 1840.

Classis of New Brunswick. He has won a large place in the affections of students and Faculty as teacher and friend.

Dr. Luman Shafer gave a course in Other World Views that are in conflict with the Christian Religion.

Dr. Hugh Porter of Union Theological Seminary gave a course in Appreciation of Sacred Music.

Rev. Charles William Krahe again taught Beginning Greek and one class in Beginning Hebrew.

In addition there were these special lectures:

Prof. J. Carter Swain on the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament.

Miss Elisabeth Achelis, on The New Calendar

Prof. Nicholas Arseniev, on The Church in Russia

Dr. Henry Beltman, on The Church on the Pacific Coast

Rev. Barnerd Luben, on The Church and the Missions

Dr. F. M. Potter, on The Church in the Far East

Dr. David Van Strien, on My Parish Ministry

Dr. John D. Muyskens, on The Church in India

The Commencement address, May 22, 1947, was given by the Rev. Raymond F. Clee, D. D., of the First Church of Albany. The opening address in the fall was given by the President of the General Synod, Dr. John W. Beardslee, on the subject, "What the Reformed Church Expects of its Ministers".

In place of the usual Ministers' Conference in September, there was a two-day convocation which culminated in an impressive service of installation of the Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo, S.T.D., L.H.D., as President of the Seminary. The guest speakers for the convocation were: the Rev. Prof. Hazen G. Werner of the Drew Theological Seminary, who gave two lectures on The Minister and People in Trouble, and Some Imperatives in Counseling. The Rev. Dr. George A. Buttrick, minister of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York, spoke on The Witness of the Church. The Rev. Dr. John Mulder, President of the Western Theological Seminary, spoke on Some Trends of Contemporary Thinking in the Field of Theology. Dr. Robert A. Bauer of The Office of Information of the United States Department of State, gave an address on The United States and the United Nations. Dr. Russell Henry Stafford, President of Hartford Seminary Foundation, spoke on The Churches and The Church.

The Rev. Dr. Hugh MacLean and Dr. Emery Shieler, editor of The Churchman, addressed the gathering at dinner and luncheon, as did President Clothier of Rutgers University. The Office of Installation of President Sizoo was conducted by Dr. John W. Beardslee, President of the General Synod. Dr. Sizoo's inaugural address was on the subject Qualities of a Worthy Minister, and How the Theological Seminary can Cultivate and Direct These Qualities.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships:

Senior Class

Middle Class

Junior Class

Sjoerd De Roest

Arvin W. Roos

John R. Meyers

The Doolittle Prize in New Testament: Ernest S. Heeren

The Lodewick Prize in Preaching: Richard Hine, Jr.

The Faculty recommends for advancement to the Middle Class: Junior

James Belman

John M. Pfromm

Lee L. Kester

Willoughby F. Senior

Runyon L. Wolff

To the Senior Class Middle

Warren J. Henseler

Donald E. MacNeill

J. Elmer Hausmann

John R. Meyers

John C. DeBoer

Kenneth A. Stickney

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To the Senior Class

Fred J. Baumgardner

Arvin W. Roos

Wilbur R. Brandli

Alan C. Staver

Ernest S. Heeren

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Wendell Stephan

For Professorial Certificates

Richard Hine, Jr.

Sjoerd De Roest

Robert M. Runge

John R. Hawkins, Jr.

William A. Weber, Registrar
Secretary of the Faculty.

On motion this report was received and referred to the Committee on Faculty Report.

ARTICLE VII

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS

The Committee on Written Examinations has examined the examination papers and theses and found them of a most acceptable character, indicating that faithful work has been done during the past year.

The work of the committee has been handicapped by the serious illness of the chairman.

We would recommend that Professorial Certificates be granted to the members of the Senior Class and that the Middle and Junior Classes be advanced in course.

We recommend that sermons of the members of the Senior Class be forwarded to the members of the Board of Superintendents for examination and comment. This custom of long standing has unfortunately been omitted this year.

John Y. Broek, for the Committee.

It was

VOTED, That the recommendation of the Committee be approved and adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

The Committee on Instruction, which serves with a similar Committee of the Directors, submitted the following report and recommendation:

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary heartily approves and presents in nomination with great favor the Rev. Hugh Baillie MacLean to the General Synod for the chair of Old Testament in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Dr. MacLean has the following qualifications for this important professorship in our Seminary:

He was born Dec. 29, 1909 and reared in the manse of the Presbyterian Church, Shetland, Scotland. His father and brothers were ministers. He graduated from St. Andrews University in 1932 and with honors from St. Mary's College in Semitic Languages, St. Andrews with M. A. and B. A. He received the degree of S. T. M. and Th. D. from Union Seminary, New York City.

He was minister of the Queen Street Church, Dundee, Scotland for three years. He was chaplain of the Moral Leadership School, Jerusalem 1945-1947. In January 1948 he became a member of the Reformed Church Classis of New Brunswick.

As a teacher he has been a great help to the Faculty. He is highly esteemed by them for his scholarship, erudition and personality. He is a devoted teacher, highly respected by the students and has a wholesome influence among them.

He is a most acceptable preacher and has given liberally of himself to many of our churches. He will be a proud addition to our Seminary.

He is thoroughly sound in his position on Reformed Church doctrine and subscribes to all the doctrines of our Church without any reservations including the doctrine of Inspiration, the doctrine of Grace, the doctrine of the Incarnation and the Virgin Birth. He has read and studied the canons of the Church and accepts them. He is evangelical in his position.

The Board voted unanimously to approve this recommendation and directed that this nomination of Dr. MacLean be forwarded to the general Synod with the desire that he be elected to this professorate.

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION: John Y. Broek
John S. Moore
Martin P. Luther

COMMITTEE ON FACULTY -STUDENT RELATIONS

Cornelius Van Tol reported verbally for the Committee that conditions are most satisfactory; also that further improvement is anticipated by adopting a method for the correlation of the courses of study.

ARTICLE IX

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF FACULTY

The members of the committee have read the report with great appreciation of the account of the year's activities and the growing spirit of fellowship of Faculty and students, and also the messages from visiting speakers.

John H. Ludlum
Carl J. Schroeder
Robert Clementz

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES

After a careful examination of the Minutes of Synod of 1947 we do not find anything requiring special action by this Board.

C. A. Walvoord
Harvey I. Todd
Wm. Duitsman

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The following communication from the Classis of Chicago was referred to this committee:

Dear Brethren:

The Classis of Chicago overtures the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary to express its official disapproval of the seminary faculty, without the Board's sanction, making propaganda in favor of the Federal Council membership, particularly at a time when this highly controversial and divisive issue is officially before the proper judicatories of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

Classis of Chicago, Theodore Schaap, Stated CLERK.

After a general discussion of the overture relating to the joint statement of the Faculties of the Seminaries of the Reformed Church in favor of continuing our membership in the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America the Committee on Resolutions was requested to express the appreciation and approval of the Board to the Faculties of the Seminaries for their timely joint action.

The following report was presented and by vote adopted by the Board:

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary at their regular session hereby resolve to express to the Faculties of our Seminaries our approval of their recent joint statement which helped to clarify the issues before the Church in regard to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America and our denominational membership in it. We appreciate this effort of our professors and feel that this document does not violate the office of the professorate.

The Committee on Resolutions further recommend that we express our thanks to Mrs. and President Sizoo for the afternoon reception tendered the members of the Board and also our gratitude to those who were our

hosts for the Monday night dinner.

Committee Paul E. Ammerman
Arnold E. Dykhuizen
Walter S. Maines

ARTICLE X NEW BUSINESS

At the afternoon session President Sizoo addressed the Board at length and intimately about the work of the closing year and the prospect. It is true of other Seminaries also that a smaller number than usual are graduating this year and it is becoming increasingly difficult to enlist young men for the ministry. However, the outlook is growing brighter and new methods of awakening interest promise good returns. Some new features have been added to the course this year which will enable our graduates to do a larger and more productive work in their ministry. These are some of the new courses being introduced: Counseling- Marriage, Home, The Sick; Christianity and Competing World Philosophies; Speech Training; Appreciation of Sacred Music; and Applied Christianity.

All of the members of the Faculty were received at the afternoon session, affording an opportunity for questions and answers and free discussion of the courses.

At the Tuesday morning session the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

DR. JOSEPH R. SIZOO

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in annual session on May 10, 1948 voted unanimously a vote of confidence and appreciation to the new President, Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo, for his courageous work during the year in building up the Seminary and putting new life in every department of work. We commend the Faculty for their splendid accomplishments during the year. This venerable Seminary, the oldest in North America, has a most optimistic outlook in the large number of new students who will enter the Junior Class this fall, in strengthening the Faculty by the election of Dr. Hugh Baillie MacLean to the chair of Old Testament who accepts wholeheartedly the doctrines of the Reformed Church. We commend our President for the redecorating and modernizing of Hertzog Hall and the securing the interest of a citizen of New Brunswick in defraying the cost of painting and other improvements to the exterior of Hertzog Hall. The campus with its redecorated buildings will soon be the scene of attractiveness and beauty. New endowments will be secured whereby this oldest Seminary will continue for the next hundred years. We deplore the untrue report circulated in certain sections of the church that the Seminary will soon close. Nothing is farther from the truth. The future of this Seminary is as bright as the promises of God. We rejoice in the evangelistic position of the professors who are true to the standards of the Reformed Church and who are teaching and proclaiming the old gospel once for all delivered unto the saints.

Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the President and Faculty, recorded in our minutes, that a copy be forwarded to the Church Herald for publication and that a copy be forwarded with our report to the General Synod.

The following action was taken -

The Board of Superintendents sends a message, of affection John H. Raven in the continued illness of Dr. Raven. We recall their outstanding service rendered to our Seminary for so many years. We assure them of our sympathy and prayers and kindly thought that what they have done for the Church and Seminary will be gratefully remembered.

President and Mrs. Sizoo invited the members of the Board to a reception in their home from 4.30-6.00 where they also met the members of the Faculty and other guests.

The evening service in Worcester Chapel was attended by the entire student body, the Faculty and friends of the Seminary, as well as the members of the Board. After the opening worship service conducted by the Vice-President, Rev. Martin P. Luther, the address of the evening was delivered by the President of the Board. This service was followed by the individual examination of the members of the Senior Class. This part of the examination was well sustained, and they ^{all} recommended for Professorial Certificates.

At the Tuesday morning session the Board acted upon the resignation of the Stated Clerk, which had been read at the previous session:-

Having reached the age, when in my judgment, the work of the Stated Clerk should be entrusted to a younger man, I hereby tender my resignation of the office of Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. I was elected to this office in May 1921, have not been absent from a single meeting of the Board, and have probably served in this office longer than any other Stated Clerk of this Board. It is my desire to have this resignation take effect April 30, 1949, which will be the end of the current year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jasper S. Hogan, Stated Clerk.

On motion the resignation was accepted and the matter referred to a special committee consisting of Martin P. Luther, John Y. Broek and Gerrit de Motts.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary accepts with great reluctance the resignation of the Rev. Jasper S. Hogan, D.D., the beloved Stated Clerk for 37 years.

Many factors in his successful tenure of office are worthy of special mention. His faithfulness is outstanding and praiseworthy. He has not been absent from one Board meeting in all these years of service. This is a record few men in our generation can hope to equal.

Truly Dr. Hogan has endeared himself beyond measure thru his lovable and unruffled disposition. So often it has been necessary for him to explain the order of the day and the methods of procedure in tense and excitable moments. He could with Kipling - "Keep your head when all about you are losing theirs and blaming it on you".

Moreover how comforting to be sensibly aware of his familiarity with procedure when confusion would halt the smooth flow of important affairs! A gentle, considered word, a bit of humor at the right time, how timely with Jasper Hogan as Stated Clerk.

Men have remarked at the accuracy and efficiency in the enormous amount of clerical work he had to do so quickly and so well for inclusion in the reports to General Synod.

So it may be said of him: In character truly Christian; in service patient and generous; in fellowship friendly and warm; approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed.

We recommend that Dr. Hogan be made Stated Clerk emeritus of the Board of Superintendents.

Your committee wishes to recommend as the successor to Rev. Jasper S. Hogan, D.D., Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents, the Rev. John Y. Broek, D.D., and recommends that General Synod, thru the Board of Direction, continue to pay the sum of fifty dollars annually, and necessary expenses incurred in the fulfillment of his obligations in this office.

It was

VOTED that the report of the committee be received and adopted.

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ARTICLE XI
CLOSING

All of the sessions of the Board were opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE XII

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was ordered at the close of the Commencement Exercises which were held in the First Reformed Church at 11.00o'clock, May 11, 1948, the President of the Seminary presiding. The Rev. James B. Mulder, President of the Board of Superintendents, read the Scriptures and led in prayer. The Rev. Justin Vander Kolk, of the Department of Theology, delivered the address on the subject: "The Gift, the Response, the Task".

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Sjoerd De Roest

Richard Hine, Jr.

John Richard Hawkins, Jr Robert Mitchell Runge

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty the Directors conferred the degree of Bachelor of Divinity upon -

Sjoerd De Roest, John Richard Hawkins, Jr. and Richard Hine, Jr.

Dr. John W. Beardslee, President of the General Synod, offered the closing prayer.

James B. Mulder

PRESIDENT

Justin Vander Kolk

TEMPORARY CLERK

James S. Hogan

STATED CLERK

A special meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held at the Second Reformed Church, New Brunswick, Monday, Sept. 20, 1948, at 5.00 P.M.

Rev. James B. Mulder, the president, called the meeting to order. Rev. Paul E. Ammerman offered the opening prayer.

The following members or their representatives were present:

CLASSIS

Albany	Rev. Paul E. Ammerman
Bergen	Rev. Willard G. Wullschlegler
Bergen, South	
Greene	Rev. Robert Clementz
Hudson	Rev. Christian H. Wlvoord
Long Island, North	Rev. J. Stanley Addis
Long Island, South	Rev. Martin Paul Luther
Monmouth	Rev. Albert G. Shiphorst
Montgomery	
Newark	Rev. John V. Broek
New Brunswick	Rev. James B. Mulder
New York	
Orange	Rev. John H. Ludlum
Palisades	Rev. Adalbert Q. Wettstein
Paramus	Rev. Gerrit Heemstra
Passaic	Rev. Henry W. Pyle
Philadelphia	Rev. Earle W. Hutchison
Poughkeepsie	
Raritan	Rev. Geore I. Robertson
Rensselaer	
Rochester	
Saratoga	Rev. Maurice Snyder
Schenectady	Rev. Leonard A. Sibley, Jr.
Schoharie	Rev. S. W. Duitsman
Ulster	Rev. Harvey I. Todd
Westchester	

PARTICULAR SYNODS

Albany	Elder George C. Williamson
Albany	
Chicago	Rev. George C. Douma
Iowa	
New Jersey	
New Jersey	Elder James A. Williamson
New York	
New York	Rev. Winfield Burggraaff
Ex-Officio	The President of the Seminary
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink, Rev. John J. Soeter, and Rev. A. L. Warnshuis	were also present from the Directors.

Before the special business was considered, Dr. Sizoo, the President of the Seminary, stated that the Faculty of the Seminary recommended that the Board of Superintendents grant a Professorial Certificate to Frederick J. Baumgardner who has now completed the required work of the course.

It was

VOTED, That the Professorial Certificate be granted to Mr. Baumgardner in accordance with the recommendation of the Faculty.

President Sizoo stated that this important meeting of the Board had been authorized by the President of the Board of Superintendents and a committee of the Directors.

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In the call for this meeting it was stated that the Seminary is standing at a new day of opportunity; that the morale of faculty and students is entirely restored; that the student population is increasing and the outlook for a new group is very encouraging; and that the condition of the property has been improved. But there is a deficit of \$10,000, mostly due to an increase of salaries for the professors (which was ordered by the General Synod), the increased cost of fuel and care of property, and also a deficit in the dining room of Hertzog Hall.

The treasurer of the Seminary, Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, presented a financial statement which had been carefully studied by a joint committee appointed by the Directors and the Board of Superintendents. This statement has been sent to all the alumni of the Seminary and to the ministers of the Eastern Classes. The financial status is such that approximately \$20,000 of new income is needed in spite of every possible economy.

After a thorough discussion of the subject the following action was taken:

It was

VOTED, That every member of the Board be requested to present this matter to his Classis and that every Consistory be urged to appeal to their congregation for a special offering for the Seminary on any one of the four Sundays of November to meet the deficit and also to include the Seminary in its annual budget of benevolences in order to provide a larger annual income for the Seminary.

The adjourned meeting on Tuesday morning was closed with prayer by Rev. John Y. Broek.

James B. Mulder

PRESIDENT

Walter S. Hogan

STAFF CLERK

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS
OF THE
NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in Sage Library on Wednesday, May 18, 1949 at 2.00 P.M.

The Rev. Martin Paul Luther became President and the Rev. Dr. William Pyle was elected Vice President, the Rev. Christian H. Walvoord, Temporary Clerk.

At the evening session in Worcester Chapel at 8.00 P.M. the Rev. James B. Mulder presided and the Rev. Senji Tsuru, Principal of Ferris Seminary, Yokohama, Japan, preached the sermon.

Article I Opening

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the
 Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in Sage Library on ~~Thursday~~
 May 18, 1949 at 2.00 P.M. The meeting was opened with prayer by
 Rev. William Pyle, D.D.

Article II Roll Call

The following members were present:

Classes

Albany	Rev. Paul Edward Ammerman
Bergen	Rev. Willard Wullschleger
Bergen, South	Rev. Thomas Lamont
Greene	Rev. Robert Clementz
Hudson	Rev. Christian H. Walvoord
Long Island, N.	Rev. A. Nelson Doak
Long Island, S.	Rev. Paul Martin Luther
Monmouth	Rev. Albert George Shiphorst
Montgomery	Rev. Henry O. Hospers
Newark	Rev. John Yonker Broek
New Brunswick	Rev. James Bernard Mulder
New York	
Orange	Rev. John Henry Ludlum, Jr.
Palisades	Rev. Adalbert Quartus Wettstein
Paramus	Rev. John Seymour Moore
Passaic	Rev. William Pyle
Philadelphia	Rev. Earle Wilbur Hutchison
Poughkeepsie	Rev. Cornelius Van Tol
Raritan	Rev. George Ingalls Robertson
Rensselaer	Rev. Harold E. Pangburn
Rochester	Rev. Arnold Dykhuizen
Saratoga	Rev. Maurice Snyder
Schenectady	Rev. Norman E. Thomas
Schoharie	
Ulster	Rev. Harvey Ira Todd
Westchester	Rev. Elias Wortman Thompson

Particular Synods

Chicago	Rev. George C. Douma
Iowa	Rev. Henry Frederick Senne
New York	Rev. Winfield Burggraaff
Ex Officio	The President of the Seminary

Article III. Election of Officers

The Rev. James B. Mulder, the retiring President, presided, in the absence of the Vice President, the Rev. Martin Paul Luther who was to succeed to the Presidency due to the death of his father. A letter of sympathy was sent to Rev. Luther.

The Rev. William Pyle was elected Vice President and the Rev. Winfield Burggraaff, Temporary Clerk.

Article IV. Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting and the special of the Board were read and approved.

Article V. Appointment of Committees

Committee on Admission of Students

Rev. Earle Wilbur Hutchison
Rev. George Ingalls Robertson
Rev. John Yonker Broek
Rev. James Bernard Mulder

Committee on Examinations

Rev. John Yonker Broek
Rev. William Pyle
Rev. Christian H. Walvoord
Rev. George Ingalls Robertson
Rev. James Bernard Mulder
Rev. Martin Paul Luther

Committee on Instruction

Rev. Willard Wulschleger
Rev. A. Nelson Doak
Rev. John Yonker Broek
Rev. Martin Paul Luther

Resolutions Committee

Rev. Winfield Burggraaff
Rev. Paul Edward Ammerman
Rev. Harold E. Pangburn

Synodical Minutes

Rev. A. Nelson Doak
Rev. John Henry Ludlum
Rev. Harvey Ira Todd

Report of Faculty

Rev. Paul Edward Ammerman
Rev. Arnold Dykhuizen
Rev. Henry Frederick Senne

Annual Report of the Faculty to the Board of
Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological
Seminary, May 10, 1949.

Fathers and Brethren:

Since the last report of the Faculty to your Board the following are the activities of the Seminary year that we should like to record.

At the meeting of the Board of Superintendents, May 10, 1948, Professorial Certificates and B.D. degrees were granted these graduates:

Sjoerd de Roest
John Richard Hawkins, Jr.
Richard Hine, Jr.

Francker, The Netherlands
Albany, New York
Chicago, Illinois

Professorial Certificate

Frederick J. Baumgardner
Robert Mitchell Runge

Elmhurst, New York
Bound Brook, New Jersey

The total enrollment of students the past year was thirty-four; nine in the Senior Class, ten in the Middle Class and fifteen in the Junior Class. They came from ten different states and one foreign country and from nineteen colleges and universities. The registration of the classes was as follows:

Senior Class

Wilbur Ray Brandli, A.B. Hope, 1946	Union City, New Jersey
John Charles de Boer, B.S.E. Michigan 1944	Pompton Plains, N. J.
Joseph Elmer Hausmann, Jr., A.B. Rutgers, 1946	Irvington, N. J.
Ernest Stillwell Heeren A.B. Rutgers 1942	Brooklyn, N. Y.
Bernard Juckema, Groningen University	Groningen, The Netherlands
Arvin Wilfred Roos, A.B. Central 1943	Littleton, Colorado
Alan Christian Staver A.B. Hope, 1946	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Ernest Wendell Stephan, A.B. Salem, 1945	Nortonville, Kansas
Gerrit Ten Zijthoff, University of Utrecht,	Doetinchem, (Gelderland)
	The Netherlands

Middle Class

William C. Barnhouse, Chaplain, A.E. High Point College,	N. C.
	Fort Monmouth, N. J.
Charles Lee Grandall B.S. Rutgers 1941	Ridgewood, N. J.
James C. Eelman, A.B. Arizona, 1947	Tucson, Arizona
John Egy, B.S. 1946, M.A. 1948, N. Y. U.	Kansas City, Kansas
Warren John Henseler, A.B. Rutgers, 1947	Jersey City, N. J.
Lee Llewellyn Kester, Jr. A.B. Central 1947	Philadelphia,
Donald Ross MacNeill A.B. Rutgers, 1948	New Hyde Park, N. Y.
John Read Meyers, Columbia University	New Brunswick, N. J.
John Martin Pfromm, Mech. Eng., Stevens Institute of Technology,	1942
	Hawthorne, N. J.
Willoughby Frederick Senior, Brothers	Haledon, J. J.

Junior Class

uel Attinger A.B., Tusculum, 1948 Charles O. Bennett, Jr. A.B. Concordia 1942 Roland Frierson Chandler, A.B. Furman 1946 James Paul Ebberts A.B. Central 1948 William Gustav Geiger, A.B. Hope, 1948 John Harry Hall, A.B. Rutgers, 1948 Charles Robert Harrah, A.B. Ohio Wesleyan 1948 Martin Tindall Hutchison, B.S. Rutgers 1944 David Wilson Jenks, B.S. Elec, Eng. Vermont University, 1934 Robert Thomas Marsh, A.B. Montclair Teachers College, 1941 Robert Bird Minnick, A.B. Central, 1948 Theodore Charles Muller, A.B. Houghton, 1948 Ellene Bosland Pfomml, A.B. Hope, 1947 Harold ver Berkmoes, A.B. Hope 1948 Runyon Wolff, A.B. Rutgers, 1947	New Brunswick, N. J. Montivideo, Minn. Belle Meade, N. J. Oostburg, Wisconsin Boonton, N. J. Albany, New York Akron, Ohio Elizabeth, N. J. Schenectady, N. Y. College, 1941 Hoboken, N. J. Plainfield, N. J. Ridgefield, N. J. Hawthorne, N. J. Grand Haven, Michigan New Brunswick, N. J.
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Seven of these students are on the four-year plan since they are serving churches regularly as student supply preachers. The students of the Junior class were assigned to work with ministers of local churches in the church school, young people's society, choir and occasionally as assistant in the pulpit.

Regarding the extra-curricular activities of the students this year, they attended two retreats, one in the winter at Calvary Episcopal Church in New York, and the other at Kirkridge, Pennsylvania in the spring. They also attended the Inter-Seminary New York Area Conference at Biblical Seminary in New York, while three students went to a Council Meeting in Richmond, Virginia, and three to a regional conference at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Mr. Elmer Hausmann was elected Treasurer of the Middle Atlantic Regional Conference of the Inter-Seminary Movement, and Mr. Robert Minnick was elected President of the New York Area Conference for next year. The students gave practical evidence of their interest in missions by contributing about \$350.00 for the Boy's School of Basrah, Arabia. They also were responsible for the arrangement of four communion services at Advent, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and at the close of the school year. They participated one afternoon in a community survey of Union, N. J. under the direction of the Rev. Robert A. Geddes, Field Executive of Church Extension of the Particular Synod of New Jersey, and spent time later with him reviewing the results of their work. The student basket ball team played eight games of which they won four and lost four.

The wives of students had a course in the Gospel of John with Dr. Beardslee the first semester and in the Psalms by Dr. MacLean the second semester.

Thursday evenings were set aside for the Seminary family gathering in the dining hall once a month followed by a special lecture or conference with an invited guest in one of the homes of the professors. The other Thursday evenings were devoted to preaching services in the chapel by students of the Middle and Senior classes.

Faculty activities in addition to the regular classes included the following:

Dr. Sizoo gave a series of addresses at Hope College and at Central College in the interest of the Seminary. He has met with several classes during the year, discussing with them the outlook for the Seminary. He has preached in many colleges and universities which gave him an opportunity to interview students for the ministry. Among these institutions were: Columbia University, Cornell University, Harvard University, Lafayette College, Princeton University, the University of Pennsylvania and others. Dr. Sizoo gave a series of addresses during Holy Week in Detroit.

Dr. Beardslee gave six lectures on the making of the New Testament at the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York.

Dr. James gave a series of lectures to the Methodist ministers of the Newark, N. J. area and a Preaching Mission during the Week of Prayer at Amsterdam, N. Y.

Rev. Vander Kolk taught a class in the New Brunswick Training School on the Life and Teachings of Jesus. Dr. Weber taught a course in the same school on How to Teach Religion.

Dr. Luman Jay Shafer gave a course to Middlers and Seniors on the History and Program of Christian Missions.

Miss Beatrice Desfosses had a class in Speech Training for the Juniors and Middlers.

The Rev. Charles William Krahe taught Beginning Greek and one class in Beginning Hebrew.

Special lectures and addresses this year included two by Dr. Roy A. Burkhardt on The Minister, the Parish and Beyond; and Worship and the Culture of Prayer Life. Dr. Allen E. Claxton spoke on "The Church and the Unreached Community". These two speakers addressed a winter convocation of Alumni at the close of the first semester. Other speakers included Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin on "The Old Testament in Current Preaching"; Dr. Georges Augustin Barrois on "Roman Unity or Union of Churches"? Also one on "The Growth of Roman Absolutism". These addresses were given at the Convocation-Conference in September in connection with the service of installation of the Rev. Hugh Baillie MacLean, Th.D. as the Gardner A. Sage Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis. The subject of Dr. MacLean's inaugural address was, "The Relevance of the Old Testament". Other speakers at the convocation were Dr. Samuel Shoemaker, Dr. Richard Niebuhr, General Robert W. Johnson and the Rev. Henry Beltman, President of the

The Commencement Address last year, May 19th, was given by the Rev. Justin Vander Kolk on the subject, "The Gift, the Response and the Task".

The Alumni speaker at the Collation was Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, Secretary of the World Council of Churches.

During the year the following speakers were heard:
The Rev. Richard Van Den Berg, Executive Sec. Board of Domestic Missions
The Rev. John D. Kuyskens, Missionary to India

James G. Thompson



1890 - 1891
1892 - 1893

1894 - 1895

1896 - 1897

1898 - 1899

1900 - 1901

1902 - 1903
1904 - 1905

Dr. Paul Harrison, M.D., Missionary to Arabia
Dr. L. J. Muste, Chairman Fellowship of Reconciliation
Mr. George Stoll, The Layman's Movement for a Christian World
The Rev. Calvin C. Meury, General Secretary of Young People's Work
Dr. Gerard R. Gnade, General Secretary of The Ministers' Fund
Dr. Bernard J. Mulder, General Secretary of the Board of Education
Dr. James Z Nettinga, Secretary, Board of Domestic Missions
Elder Duke de Vries
Mr. John Oliver Nelson

A delightful interlude was furnished by a visit of the Hope College Glee Club and later by a visit of the Central College Glee Club, both of which gave short recitals in the Library and spent several hours on the campus.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships:

Senior Class: Ernest Stillwell Heeren
Middle Class: John Charles de Boer
Junior Class: Robert Thomas Marsh

The Doolittle Prize in New Testament: James C. Eelman
The Lodewick Prize in Preaching: Arvin Wilfred Roos

The Faculty recommends for advancement to the Middle Class the students who have completed the Junior Class work:

William Geiger (if he takes O.T. re-exam in September)
J. Harry Ha
Charles Harrah (if he takes O.T. re-exam in September)
David Jenks
Robert Marsh
Robert Minnick
Theodore Muller
Harold Ver Berknoes

Continuing in the Middle Class

William C. Barnhouse
James Eelman
Lee Kester
Donald R. MacNeill
Runyan Wolff
John M. Pfromm
Willoughby Senior

To the Senior Class the students who have completed the Middle Class work:

John Ege
Warren Henseler
J. Read Meyers
John de Boer

For Professorial Certificates:
Joseph Elmer Hausmann, Jr.
Ernest Stillwell Heeren
Alan Christian Staver

For the B.D. degree:
Joseph Elmer Hausmann, Jr.
Wilbur Kay Brandli
Ernest Stillwell Heeren
Arvin Wilfred Roos
Alan Christian Staver

The Faculty was presented by Dr. Sigoo. The following statement by the Rev. Hugh Baillie MacLean was ordered to be recorded in our minutes and to be included in the report to General Synod:

May 12, 1949.

The President
The Board of Superintendents
New Brunswick Theological Seminary
New Brunswick
New Jersey.

My dear Mr. President:

In view of discussions regarding the Inaugural Address which I delivered on the occasion of my being installed as Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis in this Seminary I think it might be helpful if I address this communication to the Superintendents.

These discussions in the church press have been a source of great regret and grief to me personally, casting aspersions, as they do, not only on my integrity, but on the institution in which I am privileged to teach. May I say that no query or question regarding any point made in my address has been made to me personally. Certain people have given expression in the press to interpretations of my remarks without first approaching me to find out whether these interpretations were correct or not. I know that some of them were advised to write directly to me if they were disturbed by what I said, but this advice they chose to disregard completely, despite my willingness and readiness to discuss any issue that had been



raised. A friendly approach of this kind would have been more in keeping with the spirit of Jesus Christ, and the New Testament.

Now I do not wish the Superintendents or any other body that is responsible for the conduct of affairs in this Seminary to think that I tossed off casually my statement that I accepted the doctrinal standards of the Reformed Church. I had studied them with great care. I do not take such vows lightly, and I reaffirm my loyalty to the doctrinal standards of the Reformed Church. I do so without any reservations.

From what I have been able to learn it would seem that three points seek a clarification.

First, with reference to the doctrine of Inspiration. With all my heart I accept the Reformed Church doctrine of Inspiration. I believe that the Bible is the Word of God, the supreme authority for faith and life. The Book is divinely inspired; nothing less can be said of it in the light of what it does for us. There were holy men through whom God spoke, who became the channels of divine revelation. To them God entrusted His revealed purpose, speaking through the law, the prophets and the Gospels. The law is not simply a series of religious and ethical precepts, but a covenant, which defines the terms of the agreement which Israel is called by God. The prophets interpret the events of the history of Israel as related to Law and Covenant. They are the spokesmen who speak forth God's own truth as they interpret the events of his history through which God redeems the world. The Gospels are the fulfillment of both law and prophets, and the law and prophets are to be seen in the perspective of their fulfillment in Christ.

Second, Do I believe that God decreed the extermination of the Canaanites? My answer to this question is 'Yes'. That is the record of what happened as it has reached us, and I accept it as the path by which God has chosen to lead His people. This is the path by which we have come. The road of redemptive purpose as it leads from man fallen in Adam to Christ, lies for a time in this dark valley of suffering. Why this should have been necessary is hidden from us. The Testament presents us with a true account of the way of redemption carried forward in and through history. His loving plan for the redemption of the world of sinful man. Not to take from this, however, such actions are thereby permitted to us which have been called to become new creatures in Christ.

There is a command from the Holy Spirit an incontrovertible command to live in the light of the Gospel. The law is a witness to the Gospel. To tarry in the Old Testament is calling us to live under the new dispensation. To see no distinction between the law and the revelation of the Gospel is of no avail.

Which Christ is the spirit laid upon the ancient prophets in the fuller light of the revelation of the Father and Son. It is difficult to understand how such actions could be taken by the Father and Son.

We accept them because they are a part of the Holy Scriptures, but we thank God that in His mercy He has called us to live in the clearer light of the Gospel of the Son of His love; nor in the light of this fuller revelation can we suppose that such commands are a full expression of God's proper will for us today. The word which we hear is Christ's command that we should love our enemies.

I state my conviction that Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, is the final and decisive revelation of God in the light of which all previous revelations are in fact judged, and in the light of which all that has gone before is to be evaluated. We cannot, out of loyalty to Christ, permit our consciences to be bound by any utterance of the Old Testament which falls beneath the level of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Third, apparently the use of a technical term familiar to Old Testament scholars has been altogether misinterpreted. When I used the word 'falsify' as applied to Old Testament history I mean this - that historical facts were used to vindicate a particular philosophy of history. History is always fact plus interpretation. This is the reason why we find in the Old Testament differing interpretations of the same historical events. There are many illustrations and evidences of this in the Old Testament.

The Holy Scriptures have to do primarily with the setting forth of the story of man's fall and of man's redemption by God's mercy as this is wrought out in history through His mighty deeds. Man must be called back into a proper relationship with God before he can hear and understand. It is with this rescue of man from his fallen estate that the Bible is chiefly concerned. I concur therefore heartily in the words of our confession when it states, "He (God) makes Himself . . . known to us by His holy and divine word; that is to say, as far as is necessary for us to know in this life to His glory and our salvation." (Art. 2) And, again, "We believe that these Scriptures fully contain the will of God and that whatsoever man ought to believe unto salvation is sufficiently taught therein." (Art. 7)

I have written you all this so very frankly that the Board of Superintendents may never have any shadow of doubt in their own minds about my ministry.

Respectfully yours,

Hugh Baillie MacLean

The following report was presented to the Board of Superintendents upon the statement made by Dr. MacLean to the General Synod:

Fathers and Brethren:

The Board of Superintendents of the Seminary at New Brunswick assembled in its annual meeting, respectfully addresses itself to the General Synod by way of this special message. Occurrences and attitudes, which we feel to be fundamentally unbrotherly, and which are undermining the place which our Seminary has a right to have in the affection and prayers of our churches, place upon us a task of which we are proud to acquit ourselves.

As members of the Board of Superintendents, we represent the Classes and Particular Synods of our Church, so that it is through us that the Reformed Church generally exercises its authority over the Seminary. It is a matter of deep concern to us that while the church press and individuals and church groups have assailed the theological integrity of individual members of our faculty as well as the Seminary as a whole, that to this date not one word has been addressed to the Board of Superintendents by way of calling their attention to the instruction given at the Seminary, or raising questions about it.

We have had our annual meeting with the faculty and on the basis of our conversations we would like to make public the confidence which we have in the President and the Faculty of the Seminary and in the instruction given in this institution, as being within the framework of the Reformed tradition and not in any wise disloyal to the accepted doctrines of our Reformed Church. Professor MacLean, about whom some of the recent criticism has centered, made a clarifying statement which we have included in our annual report, and which confirms the enthusiasm with which the Board a year ago recommended him to General Synod for the Professorship of the Old Testament. We deplore the fact that although individuals have publicly attacked Dr. MacLean, not one of his critics has done him the Christian courtesy of approaching him personally in an effort to get at an understanding of his position.

It is part of our modern democratic tradition as well as of our Christian insight, that no public accusation of heresy ought to be made by individuals without first having gone through normal constitutional procedure. Beside this constitutional restriction there is also the restriction of love placed upon members of the Christian fellowship which forbids us to spread suspicion and thereby disrupt the very fellowship in which we profess to live. Cases can be cited in which these norms of proper procedure and of Christian love have been violated and in which the official church paper of our denomination has implicated itself. This has brought a great hurt to our Seminary and threatens to bring similar injury to other institutions of our

as well as to the Boards to whom is committed the administration of the world-wide ministry of our Church.

Our Reformed Church which is committed to the defense of evangelical Reformed Christianity, at the same time seeks to carry on its up-to-date statement of what Reformed theology is, as well as a realization of the continuing contribution which Reformed preaching and teaching can make to the Christian thought and life of our generation. New Brunswick Seminary, both in its seminary work, and in its special ministry among our churches, and in publications which are even now in process of writing, is continuing its positive ministry to the Reformed Church, whose Seminary it is, and whose historical position it maintains.

We earnestly ask that General Synod encourage our churches in a loving and prayerful support of New Brunswick Seminary.

The report was adopted. Rev. Henry Frederick Senne refrained from voting and Rev. George Douma voted in the negative.

John Y. Broek, Stated Clerk.

The closing prayer at the afternoon session was offered by the Rev. Christian H. Walvoord.

At 4.00 P.M. the Board attended the reception at the home of President and Mrs. Sizoo.

The evening session on Wednesday was held at 8.00 P.M. in Worcester Chapel. The Rev. James B. Mulder presided and the Rev. Senji Tsuru, President of Ferris Seminary, preached the sermon.

At 9.00 P.M. the members of the Senior Class were examined for their motives in entering the ministry and the examination was sustained. The Rev. John Henry Ludlum offered the prayer.

The meeting on Thursday at 10.00 A.M. was opened with prayer by the Rev. Harold E. Pangburn. There followed the report of the Joint Committee on Instruction:

Board of Superintendents
The New Brunswick Theological Seminary

Fathers and Brethren:

The Joint Committee of the Board of Superintendents and the Board of Directors on Instruction, consisting of the Rev. John S. Moore, John Y. Broek, Martin P. Luther, Edwin To Jones, Dr. F. M. Potter, and Mr. James E. Kavanagh, have considered the three matters referred to them:

1. The members of the Committee have learned that the income from the Alida Van Schaik Scholarship is now being paid to assist undergraduates now preparing for the ministry. The Board of Education, R.C.A., however, assures us that it would consider using the income of this \$12,000 to help some appointee in the faculty to do post-graduate work.

2. The Committee discussed the subject of the future of the Department of Religious Education and will soon consider the proposals of its sub-committee.

3. The Committee recognized the fact that Dr. Beardslee will retire from his professorship on July 11, 1949, and recommended that the Board of Directors that he be asked to continue to teach for another year. (Dr. Beardslee graciously accepted this invitation).

The Committee hopes to hold another meeting in June. Meanwhile we are considering the matter of securing successors to Professor Beardslee and Professor Weber.

Henry A. Vruwink.

Report of Committee on Faculty Report

Fathers and Brethren:

We the Committee on the Faculty report have studied the report and find it to our satisfaction and approval:

That the regular work of the Seminary was carried out

That the morale and spirit of the faculty and student body was high

That the faculty have shared their talents widely in the Church and community through the giving of lectures and in conducting Classes

That the guest speakers at the Seminary were chosen wisely to give a wide variety of subjects of interest and so of future helpfulness.

Paul E. Ammerman
Arnold E. Dykhuizen
Henry F. Senne

Report of Committee on Examinations

To the Board of Superintendents
New Brunswick Theological Seminary:

Your Committee on Examinations met in the Library of the Seminary on Wednesday morning, May 18, 1949, at 10.00 o'clock.

We were led in prayer by the retiring President, Rev. James B. Mulder.

Dr. Sizoo and Dr. Weber reported for the faculty and presented the written examinations, sermons, papers and senior theses of the

We approved the findings and gradings, as well as the criticisms of the faculty. We regret that some of the papers were not graded and would suggest that grades be marked or some comment added for the information of Committee on Examinations.

The Committee feels that our present method of examinations is not adequate or satisfactory.

We therefore recommend that the Board of Superintendents have two meetings a year and at these meetings divide into small committees to attend the different classes where oral examinations will be given in their presence.

The Rev. John S. Moore requested that he be excused after the afternoon session of the Board. This was granted and the Rev. George I. Robertson was directed to make this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Examinations

John S. Moore
John Y. Broek
James B. Mulder
George I. Robertson

The Synodical Committee reported that they had examined the minutes of General Synod and found the report of the Board of Superintendents to be correct.

The closing prayer was offered by the Rev. Norman E. Thomas and the Board adjourned.

John Y. Broek

Stated Clerk

President

The meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Seminary was held in Sage Library on Wednesday, May 17, 1950 at 2.00 P.M. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Martin Paul Luther.

Article II Roll Call

The following are members of the Board of Superintendents

Classes		Term Expires
Albany	Rev. Paul E. Ammerman	1951
Bergen	Rev. Willard Wullschleger	1953
Bergen, South	Rev. Thomas Lamont	1954
Greene	Rev. William H. Coons	1952
Hudson	Rev. John J. Gebhard	1951
Long Island, North	Rev. A. Nelson Doak	1953
Long Island, South	Rev. Martin Paul Luther	1955
Monmouth	Rev. August Pfaus	1955
Montgomery	Rev. Henry O. Hospers	1953
Newark	Rev. Joan Y. Broek	1955
New Brunswick	Rev. James B. Mulder	1952
New York	Rev. Ernest R. Palen	1950
Orange	Rev. Edward W. Meury	1954
Palisades	Rev. David Van Strien	1954
Paramus	Rev. Gerrit Heemstra	1954
Passaic	Rev. William H. Pyle	1953
Philadelphia	Rev. Earle W. Hutchison	1951
Poughkeepsie	Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp	1952
Raritan	Rev. George I. Robertson	1951
Rensselaer	Rev. Harold E. Pangburn	1952
Rochester	Rev. Francis Dykstra	1952
Saratoga	Rev. Maurice Snyder	1952
Schenectady	Rev. Norman Thomas	1954
Schoharie	Rev. Herman Luben	1954
Ulster	Rev. Robert Dickson	1954
Westchester	Rev. Wilfred H. Hasbrouck	1955

Particular Synods

Albany	Mr. Stanley R. Crocker	1953
Albany	Mr. George Sluyter	1955
Chicago	Rev. George C. Douma	1953
Iowa	Rev. Henry F. Senne	1950
New Jersey	Mr. Edwin S. Dent	1952
New Jersey		
New York	Mr. William R. Williams	1953
New York	Rev. Winfield Burggraaff	1953
Ex Officio	The President of the Seminary	

Rev. William H. Pyle, President
 Rev. David Van Strien, Vice President
 Rev. John Y. Broek, Stated Clerk

Article III - Election of Officers

The Rev. Martin Paul Luther, retiring President, presided.
 Rev. William H. Pyle, Vice President, succeeded to the Presidency.

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Rev. David Van Strien was elected Vice President and the Rev.
Edward W. Meury, Temporary Clerk.

Article IV - Minutes

The Minutes of the regular meeting of May 18, 1949 were read and approved.

The following resolution on Rev. John Howard Raven D.D., Litt.
was also placed in the Minutes:

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary desires to pay tribute to the life and services of Rev. John Howard Raven, D.D., Litt.D., who filled the chair of Old Testament Languages and Literature for forty years, Professor Emeritus for ten years and who entered the higher services on February 25, 1949.

Dr. Raven, a graduate of Rutgers University and New Brunswick Seminary became a recognized scholar in Hebrew and Old Testament Literature, conservative in his approach to the Word of God. He had ability to teach. His scholarly books had a wide reading. He had a keen, penetrating mind. He loved the truth of God's Word. He was an ardent student to the end of his active service as professor. He was a friend to all his students, wise in his counsels, sympathetic and interested in their problems. They held him in highest honor and respect. The influence of his godly life and example will be an inspiration to all who knew and loved him. In later years when blindness overtook him, uncomplaining, he was the same lovable man.

Resolved that this brief tribute be recorded in the Minutes of the Board of Superintendents, published in the Church Herald and a copy be sent to Mrs. Raven.

James B. Mulder, President
John Y. Broek, Stated Clerk.

Article V. - Appointment of Committees

The President appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Admission of Students

Rev. George Ingalls Robertson
Rev. John Yonker Broek
Rev. James Bernard Mulder
Rev. William Pyle

Committee on Examinations

Rev. William Pyle
Rev. John Yonker Broek
Rev. George Ingalls Robertson
Rev. Willard Wulschleger
Rev. James Bernard Mulder

Committee on Instruction

Rev. Willard Wulschleger
Rev. A. Nelson Doak
Rev. John Yonker Broek
Rev. Martin Paul Luther

Resolutions Committee

Rev. Franklin Hinkamp
Rev. Norman Thomas
Rev. Henry O. Hospers

Synodical Minutes

Rev. Paul Edward Ammerman
 Rev. Edward W. Meury
 Rev. Robert Dickson

Faculty Report

Rev. David Van Strien
 Rev. Earle W. Hutchison
 Rev. Henry F. Senne

Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo presented the following communication to the Board and made an extended report on Dr. Van Wyk's qualifications for the Chair of Religious Education:

After long and prayerful consideration, the Joint Committee on Faculty of The Directors and the Board of Superintendents recommended that the Rev. Herbert S. Van Wyk, Ph.D. of Central College be invited to become Lector in Christian Education at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

The Directors unanimously approved the recommendation of the Joint Committee. It was voted that his salary would be \$4200 a year with residence and an allowance of \$300 for heat; that he would begin his service July 1, 1950; that the expense of transporting him and his family and the expense of moving would be provided for.

The Directors of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary trust that the Board of Superintendents will rejoice with us in securing Dr. Van Wyk for the Chair of Christian Education and express the hope that the Board of Superintendents will endorse this action.

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph R. Sizoo, President.

The report was received and the recommendation adopted that Dr. Van Wyk be appointed Lector in Christian Education for one year.

Dr. Sizoo presented the following resolution: that The Directors invite the Alumni and Board of Superintendents to meet with a similar Committee of The Directors to discuss the finances of New Brunswick Seminary.

It was voted that the President appoint, in conference with Dr. Sizoo, five members of the Board on the Joint Committee.

The following report on the finances of the Seminary was presented by the Treasurer, Rev. A. Livingston Warnshuis, D.D.:

Herewith I present a report of the income and expenditures in the fiscal year May 1, 1949 to April 30, 1950, and a balance sheet of the accounts at the end of the year. The certificate of the auditors, Haskins & Sells, accompanies these statements.

The total expenditures have been \$4,240.71 more than in the preceding year, and this increase has been almost entirely in the costs of repairing and maintaining the buildings, much of which was imperative because of requirements imposed by the city authorities. The administration has been most economical in every respect. It is clear that the Seminary needs an annual income of not less than \$5,000.00.

The total income for current account in the past year has been \$9,675.30 less than in the preceding year. There was an increase of \$1300.00 in income from investments, but reductions in income from individual donors, were \$5700.00, from fees and room rents,

\$3200.00, and Board of Education, \$2300.00. The churches increased their gifts by only \$330.00 and this is probably due to some extent to the competing appeal of the General Synod Fund.

The accumulated deficit is now \$22,736.30, and this is being carried by the temporary use of unrestricted capital funds. This deficit is principally due to the extensive repairs to the buildings that have been made in the past two or three years. The Directors and all others acquainted with the property were fully convinced that these repairs were altogether necessary. It is clear that more repairs are most urgently needed now. It was expected that the United Advance Fund and the General Synod Fund would provide the necessary funds. From the United Advance Fund the Seminary received \$50,000.00 less than was expected, and it now appears that the amount to be received from the General Synod Fund will be \$10,000.00 less than was the Seminary's share in that budget. It is these disappointed expectations that must be presented to the churches whom the Seminary serves. For the satisfactory maintenance of the Seminary the income from the churches in annual gifts should be not less than \$40,000.00, and there ought to be additional gifts of \$25,000.00 to restore the capital funds that have been used in the past five years.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Warnshuis, Treasurer.

It was voted that a Joint Committee of The Directors be appointed to study the possible reorganization of the Board of Superintendents and The Directors with a view toward merger and the findings of the Committee be sent to each member of the Board.

Annual Report of the Faculty to the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary,
May 17, 1950, presented by Professor William A. Weber:

On May 19, 1949, at the regular commencement of the Seminary the following students received the Professorial Certificate and the B.S. degree:

Wilbur Ray Brandli
Joseph Elmer Hausmann, Jr.
Ernest Stillwell Heeren
Arvin Wilfred Roos
Alan Christian Staver

Union City, New Jersey
Irvington, New Jersey
Brooklyn, New York
Littleton, Colorado
Niskayuna, New York

The members of the Senior Class during the past year were:

John Charles de Boer	Pompton Plains, New Jersey
B.S.E. Michigan 1944	
John Franklin Eby	Kansas City, Kansas
B.S. 1946, M.A. 1948, New York University	
Barclay Belding Fishburn	Schenectady, New York
B.S. Union College 1944	
Warren John Henseler	Jersey City, New Jersey
A.B. Rutgers 1947	
George Jacob Holler, Jr.	Albany, New York
A.B. Rutgers 1946	
Lee Llewellyn Kester, Jr.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
A.B. Central 1947	
Donald Ross MacNeill	New Hyde Park, New York
A.B. Rutgers 1948	

Franciscus Cornelis Willekes
 Utrecht University
 Wesley W. Wiseman
 Eastern Baptist 1946

The members of the Middle Class were:

Charles O. Bennett, Jr.
 A.B. Concordia 1942
 Roland Frierson Chandler
 A.B. Furman 1948
 James Paul Ebberts
 A.B. Central 1948
 James C. Eelman
 A.B. Arizona University 1948
 William Gustav Geiger
 A.B. Hope 1948
 John Harry Hall
 A.B. Rutgers 1948
 Charles Robert Harrah
 A.B. Ohio Wesleyan 1948

David Wilson Jenks
 B.S. Elec. Eng. Vermont University 1934
 Robert Thomas Marsh
 A.B. Teachers College, Montclair, N. J.
 Robert Bird Minnick
 A.B. Central 1948
 Theodore Chrles Muller
 A.B. Houghton 1948
 John Martin Pfromm
 Mech. Eng. Stevens Institute of Technology 1942
 Willoughby Frederick Senior
 Brothers 1950
 Harold ver Berkmoes
 A.B. Hope 1948
 Runyon Wolff
 A.B. Rutgers 1947

The members of the Junior Class Were:

Stanley George Albanesius
 A.B. Central 1949
 John James Arnold
 A. B. Rutgers 1949
 Paul Babich
 Th.B. Missionary Training Institute 1949
 Donald Arthnr McCabe
 A.B. Rutgers 1949
 Harold ElmerSchaible
 Hope College
 Herbert Charles Schmalzriedt, Jr.
 A.B. Hope 1949
 Dennis Earl Shoemaker
 A.B. Hope 1949
 Clarence E. Van Heukelom
 A.B. Central 1949
 Walter Nelson Van Popering
 Hamilton A.B. 1949
 Wilbur Thornton Washington
 A.B. Rutgers 1949

The Netherlands
 Hamburg, New Jersey

Montivideo, Minnesota
 Belle Mead, New Jersey
 Oostburg, Wisconsin
 Tucson, Arizona
 Boonton, New Jersey
 Albany, New York
 Akron, Ohio

Schenectady, New York
 Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
 Plainfield, New Jersey
 Ridgefield, New Jersey
 Hawthorne, New Jersey
 Haledon, New Jersey
 Grand Haven, Michigan
 New Brunswick, N. J.

Secaucus, New Jersey
 Paterson, New Jersey
 South River, New Jersey
 Irvington, New Jersey
 Altamont, New York
 Rochelle Park, N. J.
 Hudsonville, Michigan
 Leighton, Iowa
 West Sayville, New York
 Palmyra, New Jersey

The total enrollment for the year was 34; of which 9 were Seniors, 13 Middlers and 10 Juniors. Fourteen of the thirty-four are four-year men. The students came from ten different states and from one foreign country and from eighteen different colleges and universities.

Activities of the Faculty in addition to the regular classroom

Dr. Beardslee gave several series of lectures as follows: five lectures on The Teaching of Jesus at the Highland Park Reformed Church; five lectures on Great Truths of Christian Faith, to the Men's Bible Class of the Second Reformed Church of New Brunswick; a one-hour course during the second semester on The Great Truths of the Christian Faith to the student wives of the Seminary; five lectures on the Old Testament to the churches of Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Hoffman gave a series of lectures in the School of Religion of the First Baptist Church of New Brunswick.

Dr. James conducted the Holy Week services for the churches of Canajoharie, N. Y. He also gave the Reformation Day address to the Pittsburgh, Pa. Ministers' Association.

Dr. MacLean gave four lectures on the Wisdom Literature of the Bible in Ridgewood, N. J.

Dr. Sizoo gave a series of lectures to the wives of the students of "The Relation of the Minister's Wife to the Work of the Parish Church." He visited Hope College and Central College to acquaint prospective seminary students with New Brunswick. He visited many churches of our eastern synods in the interest of the Seminary and took part in many historical observances in various churches of our denomination. Dr. Sizoo brought greetings of the Reformed Church to Dr. Joann Dykstra who he was made a Knight of Orange by the Dutch Government. He also preached in many colleges and university chapels during the past year including Columbia, Cornell, Princeton, Mt. Holyoke and Lafayette. Dr. Sizoo prepared a manuscript entitled "I Believe in the Bible" for Abingdon-Cokesbury Press which will be published as one of a series of studies on faith in due time.

Dr. Luman Shafer gave a course to the Middlers and Seniors on Christianity and Competing World Ideologies.

Dr. Otis Radcliffe Rice gave a course to Middlers and Seniors on Pastoral Counseling.

The Rev. Charles William Krahe taught Beginning Greek and one class in Hebrew Grammar.

Miss Beatrice Desfosses gave a course in Voice Training

Special lectures and addresses during the past year included:

The Commencement Address May 19, 1949 by Dr. John Sutherland Bonn

Alumni Luncheon Address by the Rev. Marion De Velder

The Fall Convocation in September had the following speakers:

Dr. Franklin C. Fry, President of the United Lutheran Church in America; Dr. Elmer G. Homrighausen of Princeton Theological Seminary; Dr. Jesse M. Bader, Exec. Sec. Dept. of Evangelism in the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Mr. George Stoll, The Laymen's Movement for a Christian World; Dr. Jacob Prins, Dept. of Evangelism of the Reformed Church in America; the Rev. Ralph B. Nesbitt, Associate Minister of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, N. Y.

The Winter Convocation was addressed by: Dr. Millar Burrows, Professor of Old Testament Theology at Yale Divinity School; Dr. Nolan E. Harmon, Jr., Editor of The Abingdon-Cokesbury Press.

Chapel speakers during the year included: the Rev. Abraham Rynbrandt, President of General Synod; Dr. Louis H. Benes, Jr., Editor The Church Herald; Dr. Bernard J. Mulder, General Secretary, Board of Education, Reformed Church in America; Dr. Harold Storm of our Arabian Mission.

The Seminary was treated to a delightful concert by the Choir of Central College, Pella, Iowa, this spring.

Scholarships: Senior Class - Mr. John Charles De Boer; Middle Class - Mr. Robert Thomas Marsh; Junior Class - Mr. Donald Arthur McCabe
The Doolittle Prize in New Testament - Mr. Theodore Charles Muller.
The Lodewick Prize in Preaching - Dr. Warren John Menseler.
The Faculty recommends for advancement to the Middle Class:

The Faculty recommends for advancement to the Senior Class:

For Professorial Certification
John Franklin Eby
Barclay Belding Fishburn
Warren John Menseler

For the B.D. degree
Frederick J. Baumgardner
John Charles De Boer
John Franklin Eby
Barclay Belding Fishburn
Warren John Menseler

Activities of the Student Body

1. The Interseminary Area Conference was held here on Saturday, October 29, 1949. Approximately seventy-five delegates from various seminaries attended.
2. The Seminary went on a retreat held at St. Martin's House in Bernardsville, New Jersey, November 3 and 4, 1949.
3. The Seminary put on a series of fifteen minute radio broadcasts last fall which included talks by Dr. Eirco, musical selections by the students and narrating by the students.
4. Five students went to Rock Island, Ill. to attend the Triannual Interseminary Conference held at Augustana Seminary. This was held over the Christmas holiday.
5. Almost the entire student body attended the Regional Conference of seminaries held at the Princeton Theological Seminary at Princeton, New Jersey. This was held from March 16 to 18, 1950.
6. The Seminary, under the direction of the Rev. Robert Gaddes, conducted a religious survey in northern New Jersey.
7. A delegation of eight students went to Western Seminary in Holland, Michigan for a weekend (April 23, 1950) to discuss various aspects of their respective Seminary lives and to promote better understanding between the seminaries.
8. Besides these specific events the Seminary conducted several special worship services such as for Advent and Lent. There were also many social events such as parties, open house at the homes of the professors, and a party in recognition of the graduating seniors. The Seminary also had a basketball team which was quite active, playing eleven games, winning five.

J. Harry Hall, Secretary
Society of Inquiry.

Respectfully submitted,

William A. Weber, Secretary

Dr. Sizoo, Dr. James, Dr. MacLean, Dr. Hoffman, Dr. Beardlee, Mr. Vander Kolk spoke to the report. Dr. Pyle paid a beautiful tribute to Dr. William A. Weber for his 25 years of service to the Seminary. It was voted that the term of office of Board members shall terminate on December 31 of the year of their appointment.

The Board adjourned at 4.30 P.M. after prayer by the Rev. Henry Hospers.

At 5.00 P.M. The Board attended the reception at the home of President and Mrs. Joseph R. Sizoo to the faculty and members of the Board of Superintendents and the hour of fellowship was greatly enjoyed.

At 6.30 P.M. the Seminary entertained the Board of Superintendents at dinner.

At 8.00 P.M. a service of worship was held in Worcester Chapel. Faculty, students and members of the Board. The Rev. William Pyle preached the sermon on "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me". Scripture was read and the prayer offered by the Rev. David Van Strien.

At 9.00 P.M. the Board met in Worcester Chapel to examine the Seniors upon their motives in entering the ministry. The following seniors were examined by President Pyle:

Frederick Jacob Baumgardner

John Franklin Egy

Barclay Belding Fishburn

Warren John Henseler

The examination was sustained.

Professor William A. Weber was heard in reference to his retirement annuity. Dr. Sizoo was also invited to be present.

It was voted to enter into Executive Session to hear the President of the Seminary in this matter in relation to Dr. Weber.

It was voted to meet on Thursday at 9.30 A.M. to consider the state of Dr. Weber.

The Board met on Thursday at 9.30. The Rev. William H. Coons opened the meeting with prayer.

Dr. Sizoo was present and spoke in reference to the action taken at yesterday's meeting, by appointing a committee to consider the merger of the Board of Superintendents and the Board of Directors.

It was voted to reconsider this action and the following substitution motion was adopted: That The Directors of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary be invited to appoint a committee to meet with a similar committee of the Board of Superintendents to effect, if at all possible, the such changes in their standing rules that a closer and more effective coordination be effected. This committee shall report its findings and recommendation to their respective boards at their next meeting.

Dr. William A. Weber again addressed the Board and asked for his salary upon his retirement. The following action was taken:

Resolved: That the Board of Superintendents is most sympathetic with Dr. Weber in his desire for economic security upon retirement after 25 years of faithful and efficient service to the New Brunswick Theological Seminary and for this reason urges upon The Directors that they shall give to Dr. Weber every assurance that they shall make every effort to pay him the equivalent of \$760 annually each and every year of his life in addition to amounts of the Pension Fund of the Reformed Church in America and the Contributory Annuity Fund of the denomination.

Committee on Report of Faculty to the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, May 17th, 1950, reported as follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

Your committee has read with interest and gratification the report of the faculty of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary and are pleased with the reports of the work done in the classroom as well as that done in the church at large. Your committee would make bold to suggest that the faculty encourage, insofar as they can do so without jeopardizing their efficiency in the classroom, invitations from the various parts of the church for lecture and address in order to broaden the influence of the seminary and to cement the relationship between the seminary and the membership of the church.

Your committee noted with joy that the student body are of high calibre and come from ten different states and one foreign country and from eighteen different colleges and universities. This fact in itself should lead to the broadening of horizons and the quickening of the intellect as well as the enrichment of the spirit.

Your committee would commend the President of the institution upon the number and quality of special speakers who have been invited to address the student body upon various occasions during the school year.

Your committee would, in conclusion, express its appreciation of the splendid spirit that seems to prevail between the members of the faculty family and the student body as a whole and also of the fine reports that come from the churches where the members of the faculty and of the student body have ministered.

With a prayer of thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessings which he has vouchsafed unto the faculty and student body of this school of the prophets during this past year, we submit this report.

Earle W. Hutchison
Henry F. Senne
David Van Strien

It was voted that the officers of the Board of Superintendents consider the advisability of adopting a schedule for its next meeting of the plan which will make it possible for the members to attend the classes of the Seminary, examine the students orally and also be directed to see that all the members of the Board be informed of all activities and deliberations of the committees.

It was voted that copy of the Plan of the Theological Seminary of New Brunswick be sent to all the members of the Board.

The verbal reports on the committees of Reception of Students and Examinations were received. Full information was contained in the Faculty Report.

The following resolution was presented by the Resolutions Committee upon the retirement of Dr. William A. Weber:

In recognition of the resignation of Dr. William A. Weber after 25 years of service to New Brunswick Seminary in the Department of Religious Education: Be it resolved:

That the Board of Superintendents express their profound gratitude to Almighty God for the labors of a quarter of a century in the New Brunswick Seminary of Dr. William A. Weber.

That we express to Dr. and Mrs. Weber our sincere best wishes for many years of God's continued blessings.

Be it further resolved: that a copy of these resolutions be placed on file and a copy be forwarded to Dr. Weber.

The Board adjourned at 11.00 A.M. after prayer by the Rev. Paul E. Ammerman.

William Pyle, President
John Y. Broek, Stated Clerk.

John Y. Broek

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On Thursday at 11.00 A.M. the Alumni meeting was held in the Church in Hertzog Hall.

The Alumni Luncheon was held in the Second Reformed Church at 12. The Collation Address was delivered by the Rev. James A. Pike, J.S.D., Chaplain of Columbia University on the subject, "The Minister Confronted Secularism".

The commencement exercises were held at 3.00 P.M. in the Second Reformed Church. Rev. William Pyle, D.D. read the scripture and offered prayer. The address was delivered by Dr. David A. Man Lennan, Professor of Preaching and Pastoral Care of the Yale Divinity School, on the subject, "Answering Questions Men Are Asking".

The soloist was the distinguished artist, Miss Sonia Stolin, Soloist with the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra and concert soloist in Europe and the United States.

President Joseph R. Sizoo presented the Professorial Certificates of degrees to the graduates.

John Y. Broek, Stated Clerk.

Dr. Sizoo presented the examination papers of the students for by the Board.

Dr. John Y. Broek presented the report of the Nominati and recommended that Dr. Herbert S. Van Wyk be nominated al Synod for election as a Professor of Christian Educati Dr. Justin Vander Kolk be nominated to General Synod as Profes Theology. The report was unanimously adopted. The biographic these men is as follows:

1. Herbert S. Van Wyk: Born January 15, 1910, Hull, I ate Hull High School. Member of the First reformed Church, Graduated Central College 1932, Western Seminary 1935. Biblical Seminary, New York for two years - S.T.M. 1936. Minister Middle Collegiate Church for two years. Minister formed Church, Brandon, Wisconsin, 1937-39. Ordained by Cla Wisconsin 1937. Year's residence New York University and re Ph.D. in Education 1940. Chair of Bible, Central College 1940. Member Classis of Pella. Instructor New Brunswick Theological Sem 1950-51. Member Second Reformed Church, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Three children: Paul, 12; Bruce, 10 and Carl, 5. Nomination for Professor of Christian Education.

2. Justin Vander Kolk: Born December 14, 1906 Vriesland, Michi Graduated Zeeland High School. Member Reformed Church of Vriesland. Taught two Junior High School, 1931-33. Graduated New Brunswick Theological Seminary 1936. Minister of the First Congregational Church Irvington, New Jersey. Received S.T.M. Oberlin Graduate School of Theology 1946. Instructor New Brunswick Theological Seminary 1946-47. Dissertation accepted for Ph.D. Chicago University. Member Classis New Brunswick. Member First Reformed Church, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Three children: Marilyn, 14; Joyce 13; Nancy, 1. Nomination for Professor of Systematic Theology.

It was voted that the action of The Directors be ratified that Dr. Beardslee be invited to serve another year as Lector in Hellenistic Greek and New Testament exegesis under the same conditions as have prevailed this year and that this action be reported to the General Synod.

Dr. Sizoo made a statement of the interest of the Church in the Seminary. He spoke of setting aside the last Sunday in October New Brunswick Seminary Sunday. Great interest was shown in the Seminary as one-half of the churches of three Particular Synods observed this Sunday. For the first time the Seminary closed the year with a deficit. Dr. Sizoo had 74 interviews with students in Hope and Central colleges and good will was manifested toward the Seminary.

Alternate visits of the students of Western and New Brunswick Seminaries did much to bring about a feeling of good will. There is coming a new attitude in the Church toward the Seminary.

All students have been assigned for the summer in churches. All the Seniors with one exception have received calls from churches. The Board adjourned at 11.30 after prayer by the Rev. Gerrit Heemstra.

The Board were the guests of the Seminary at luncheon at Rutgers Commons.

The meeting of the Board was opened at 2.00 P.M. with prayer by Rev. James B. Mulder.

The Joint Committee of The Directors and Board of Superintendents appointed to revise the Plan of the Seminary, composed of Dr. Sizoo,

Dr. A. L. Varnum and the Rev. David Jones for the directors and Dr. William F. Hill, Dr. John T. Smith and Dr. David W. Curtis for the staff of Superintendents with the following reports:

V. Finance

The Rev. Samuel Frederickson Secretary is an individual well known by the lay members of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America and subject of our is responsible for the general ministry and whose lay members of the Board, according to the provisions of the constitution of the Reformed Church, is subject to the provisions of the constitution of the Reformed Church.

II. The Board of Superintendents

1. The supervision of the work of the lay Synodical Theological Seminary shall be entrusted to a Board of Superintendents which shall consist of one minister from each of the Classes of the Particular Synods of New Jersey, New York and Illinois; one minister from each of the Particular Synods of Chicago and Iowa; six lay representatives at large, at least twelve of whom shall be laymen; two representatives from the Alumni Association; the President of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary; the Secretary of the Board of Education; the President of Hope College, Central College and Northwestern Junior College.

2. All members of the Board of Superintendents shall be elected by the General Synod for a term of six years. Except in those cases where the constitution of the Board is such as to require a longer term, no member shall serve consecutively more than once his term except those who are temporary members of their official position. The representatives of the Classes and Particular Synods shall be elected to their respective Classes and Particular Synods. The Board of the Presidents of the colleges the representatives of the Alumni Association, the Secretary of the Board of Education, the President of the Seminary, shall be formally reported to the General Synod for their election or re-election at the General Synod. The other members shall be nominated by the Board of Superintendents. A vacancy occurring in the the expiration of the term of service may be filled by the nomination until the next stated meeting of the General Synod which shall elect a member for the unexpired term of the term. The term of a member who has ceased to be under the jurisdiction of the Class or Particular Synod from which nominated shall be voided and vacant. The General Synod shall elect the members in all cases in which no nomination have been made.

3. Each member of the Board of Superintendents shall render account of his responsibilities and report for the Seminary for the promotion of its interests. The representatives nominated by the Classes and Particular Synods shall make an annual report concerning the Seminary to the General Synod. A committee composed of laymen and ministers of the Board shall be called by the Board which includes him.

4. The annual meeting of the Board shall be held in the month of January and the term of membership shall begin on the first of January of the year after their election by the General Synod. Another regular meeting of the Board shall be held in the week of commencement at the Seminary. Special meetings may be called by the President of the Board at any time. Notice of the dates of all meetings shall be mailed out two weeks before the date of the meeting. A quorum shall consist of six members.

5. At the annual meeting the Board shall elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board of Officers of the Board shall be elected for one year. The Board of Officers of the Board shall be re-elected for one year or President.

6. The Board of Superintendents shall determine the studies to be enrolled in the Seminary and make such recommendations regarding the studies as it may deem advisable. The members of the Seminary shall pass their examinations satisfactorily and receive a Professorial Certificate. The Board shall also grant all degrees. The public graduation exercises shall be under the direction of the Board. The Board shall have power to make recommendations concerning the conduct of the affairs of the Seminary.

7. The Board shall present an annual report of the Seminary to the General Synod. The report shall include a list of all vacancies that have occurred in its membership and all vacancies about to occur at the expiration of terms of office.

8. The Board of Superintendents shall nominate to the General Synod from its own membership an Executive Committee (Directors), and appoint a Committee on Students and Examinations, a Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum, a Committee on Museum and Library, a Committee on Promotion and a Committee on Nominations, and such other committees as it finds necessary. The expenses of the Committees shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Seminary.

III. The Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee (Directors) shall be nominated by the Board of Superintendents and elected by the General Synod in accordance with the provisions of the articles of incorporation.

The business of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of fifteen trustees to be called Directors. This Board shall contain six ministers and six laymen who shall be elected by the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America. They shall serve for a term of six years and shall be so arranged in six classes that annually the seats of one-sixth shall be vacated. In addition to the six ministers and six laymen elected by the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America there shall be four other members of the Board as follows: the Secretary of the Board of Education, the President of the Board of Superintendents of said Seminary shall be a member of the Board of Directors during his term of office, the Alumni Association shall elect a representative to serve for a term of six years, the President of the Seminary shall be a member and President of the Board. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

2. The Executive Committee (Directors) shall hold meetings at least three times during the Seminary year and at least such other times as it deems advisable. The President of the Seminary shall be Chairman of the Executive Committee (Directors).

3. The Executive Committee (Directors) shall be responsible for the administration of the finances of the Seminary. It shall, through the Treasurer, receive and disburse the income from the endowment funds of the Seminary, and shall have the direction of the General Synod continuing to serve as the trustee of the endowment funds given to the General Synod for the Seminary. The Executive Committee (Directors) shall seek to obtain contributions and funds for the Seminary and shall be responsible for the care and investment of all funds given to the Seminary. It shall present an audited annual report of the finances of the Seminary to the Board of Superintendents. It shall make a complete report of all activities and recommendations at each meeting of the Board of Superintendents.

4. The Executive Committee (Directors) shall be responsible for the care of the Seminary grounds and buildings, repairs and improvements.

stated meetings during the seminary year. Special meetings may be called by the President. In the absence of the President, the Faculty may elect a Chairman to preside.

4. The Faculty shall select the text books to be used in the different departments, and shall determine the methods of instruction to be employed.

5. The Faculty shall be charged with the discipline of the Seminary. All such actions of the Faculty shall be subject to review and approval by the Board of Superintendents.

6. The Faculty shall have authority to select all books to be added to the Library, to supervise the cataloguing and arranging of the books, and to make rules for securing the largest usefulness of the Library. The Faculty shall also have authority to request whenever necessary, the presence of the Librarian at its meetings.

VI. The Students.

1. Each applicant for admission to the Seminary shall present to the President of the Faculty a certificate of membership in the Church and a diploma certifying that he has received the degree of Arts, or its equivalent, from a standard or recognized university. His character, talents and other qualifications shall also be matters of inquiry. Upon the completion of the course of study, the student shall receive the regular Professorial Certificate.

2. The President of the Faculty and the Committee on Students and Examinations may, at their discretion, admit to certain courses of study in the Seminary applicants who wish to register as special students. Such students shall receive certificates of credit for work done.

3. On admission to the Seminary each student shall be required to subscribe his name in the Matriculation Book provided for this purpose. He shall consider himself pledged to lead a consistent Christian life, to be diligent in study, and punctual in attendance on the exercises of the Seminary.

VII. The President.

1. There shall be a President of the Seminary who shall also be a member of the Faculty. He shall be Chairman of the Executive Committee (Directors). He shall be elected by and hold office subject to the approval of the General Synod. His duties and responsibilities shall be those usually attaching to such a position.

2. He shall be responsible for presenting the claim of the Christian ministry and of the Seminary to the Church, its academies and colleges, and for securing the aid of the Church and the State to the Seminary, to the end that a full supply of ministers for the Church be secured.

3. The President of the Seminary shall cooperate with the President of the Western Theological Seminary in making the Seminaries the center of a unified denominational life.

VIII. Course of Study.

The course of study and curriculum of the Seminary shall be that which has been adopted by the General Synod with such changes only as the General Synod has approved.

IX.

The Board of Superintendents shall have power to adopt by-laws for the orderly conduct of its business in harmony with this Plan and the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America.

2. ~~Joint~~ ~~Committee~~ ~~Notes~~

The Executive Committee (hereinafter shall understand with the Board of
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The adoption of the above plan meeting will in the future of all
other rules and regulations which are not herein mentioned. This
plan is subject to the approval of the Board of Design Division and the
approval of the Board of Design Division. The Board of Design Division
will be required to all members of the Board of Design Division and
that we must secure their participation of a permanent united
body of the Board.

The Plan of Reorganization, as amended, was unanimously adopted.
A vote of thanks was extended to the Joint Committee for the excellent
presentation of the Plan of Reorganization of the Academy and that very
sincerely is passed to the General Board.

It was voted that a Nominating Committee be appointed to nominate
direct members of the Board of Design Division and the Executive
Committee (hereinafter) to the General Board for Election.

The President announced the following as members of the Nominating
Committee: Thomas F. Malt, Chairman, Daniel D. Smith, Walter Stewart,
John Williams, David Van Dyke, A. B. Thompson, Theodore
Pridemore.

Dr. A. L. Bernard presented his written report as President of
the Academy. The report was received.

Dr. Bernard then presented a detailed report, approved by the Board
of Design Division, which was received for the Academy Building. It was voted
that the Board of Design Division join with the Executive in taking
such steps for acquisition as would be the Board for Election for
such to the Academy Building as outlined in the report.

The Nominating Committee was appointed to present this report for
Election to the General Board: Dr. Clark, Dr. A. L. Thompson, Dr.
Walter Stewart.

The Nominating Committee for President was appointed: Dr. Jerral
Smith, William Stewart A. Brown, Dr. Jerral D. Smith, Dr.
John L. Smith, Dr. John L. Smith, Dr. William A. Williams and
the representatives from the Executive Board of the Academy.

A. B. D. The Minutes was received by the Board and the report
of the Board was presented by Professor John A. Smith as follows:

Minutes and Resolutions

At a meeting held at the regular meeting of the Academy the
minutes were received the Nominating Committee and the B.D.
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The members of the Senior Class during the past year were:

Charles O. Bennett, Jr. A.B., Concordia, 1942	Montivideo, Minnesota
Roland Frierson Chandler A.B., Furman, 1946	Belle Mead, N. J.
James Paul Ebbers A.B., Central, 1948	Oostburg, Wisconsin
James C. Eelman A.B., Arizona, 1948	Tucson, Arizona
William Gustav Geiger A.B., Hope, 1948	Boonton, New Jersey
Charles Robert Harrah A.B., Ohio Wesleyan, 1948	Akron, Ohio
George Jacob Holler, Jr. A.B., Rutgers, 1946	Albany, New York
Lee Llewellyn Kester, Jr. A.B., Central, 1947	Philadelphia, Penn.
Martin Konopka Gottingen University	Gottingen, Germany
Donald Ross MacNeill A.B., Rutgers, 1948	New Hyde Park, New York
Robert Thomas Marsh A.B., Montclair Teachers College, 1941	Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
Kenneth F. Moreland A.B., Upsala College, 1947	Clark, New Jersey
Theodore Charles Muller A.B., Houghton, 1948	Ridgefield, New Jersey
John Martin Pfromm Mech. Eng., Stevens Institute of Technology, 1942	Hawthorne, New Jersey
Willoughby Frederick Senior A.B., Brothers College, 1950	Haledon, New Jersey
Wesley W. Wiseman A.B., Tl.B., Eastern Baptist, 1946	Hamburg, New Jersey
Runyon L. Wolff A.B. Rutgers, 1947	New Brunswick, N. J.

The members of the Middle Class were:

Stanley George Albanesi
A.B., Central, 1949

Secaucus, New Jersey

THE CHURCH
U.S. Missionary Training Institute, 1940

THE PARTY HALL
U.S. Missionary, 1940

THE GILSON TRUNK
U.S. Missionary, 1944

THE ARTHUR TRUNK
U.S. Missionary, 1940

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Donald James Hull
A.B., Central, 1950

John I. Itzen
A.B., Central, 1950

Leonard Adrian Jones
A.B., Rutgers, 1950

Leonard Kalkwarf
A.B., Central, 1950

Robert David Lintner
A.B., Baker, 1950

Steve A. Madi
A.B., Elmhurst, 1950

Roelf S. Meyer
A.B., Central, 1950

Gregory A. Orosz
A.B. Bloomfield, 1950

Armand Renskers
A.B., Hope, 1950

John Harry Sharpe
A.B., Hope, 1950

Richard J. Skoog
B.S., New York University, 1948

Louis Otto Springsteen
A.B., Dartmouth, 1950

Special students were:

Joyce deBruin Dunham
A.B., Central, 1950

Waunita S. Hotchkiss
B.S., Mansfield Teachers' College 1949

Samuel Mesnick
Rutgers

Rev. Chester Wing

The total enrollment for the year was 54; of which 17 were Seniors, 12 Middlers, 21 Juniors and 4 special students. Seventeen of the 54 are four-year men. The students came from eleven different states and from two foreign countries and from 23 different colleges and universities.

ACTIVITIES OF THE FACULTY IN ADDITION TO THE
REGULAR CLASS ROOM WORK

Dr. Sizoo visited Hope College and Central College to acquaint prospective Seminary students with New Brunswick. He gave a quaint presentation in many

This year the Faculty decided to change from the two semester to the three-term system with most subjects being taught 1 per week. The new system worked reasonably well, but next year revert to the old three/two hour basis instead of the four hour

SPECIAL LECTURES AND ADDRESSES DURING THE PAST YEAR INCLUDED:

The Commencement Address, May 18, 1950, by Dr. David A. MacLennan, Yale Divinity School.

Alumni Luncheon Address by the Rev. James A. Pike, J.S.D., Columbia University.

The Fall Convocation in September had the following speakers:

The Rev. Austin Pardue, Bishop of Pittsburgh

Bishop Michael Hollis, Moderator, Church of South India

Dr. Bertha Paulsen, Professor of Sociology and Psychology, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Penn.

Chaplain Herman J. Kregel (Capt. USA) Post Chaplain, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y.

Dr. Herbert S. Van Wyk, Professor of Christian Education, New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

The Winter Convocation on January 15, 1951 was addressed by:

The Rev. George M. Docherty, Minister of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. D.

Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer, Missionary to Arabia (Retired)

Chapel speakers during the year included:

Dr. Jacob Frins, Department of Evangelism, Board of Domestic Missions, Reformed Church in America

Dr. Harold Storm, Missionary to Arabia

William Chapman, President and Founder of the American Home Bible League

Dr. Frederick J. Buttenbaum, Minister of the Mott Haven Reformed Church, New York City

The Rev. Edward H. Tanis, Minister of the Second Reformed Church, Pella, Iowa

Harry P. Abbott, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) USA Post Chaplain, Camp Kilmer, N. J.

Mr. Steele Martin, Senior at General Theological Seminary, Area Representative for Interseminary Movement

Richard M. Fagley, Executive Secretary of the Commission of the Church on International Affairs established by the World Council of Churches

the International Missionary Council.

The following awards for excellence in scholarship were voted by the Faculty:

Sandham Scholarships: Senior Class - Robert Thomas Marsh; Junior Class - Walter N. Van Popering; Junior Class - Ira John Hesselink, Jr.

The Doolittle Prize in New Testament: Donald Arthur McCabe

The Lodewick Prize in Preaching: James C. Eelman

The William H. Van Doren Prize for Essay on Missions: Robert Thomas

The Faculty recommends for advancement to the Middler Class:

- Edwin Jay Amey
- Robert Townsend Anderson
- George Waldon Crumley, Jr.
- Marion Lester Dethmers
- James W. Dunham
- Walter W. Felgner
- Merle W. Hoogheem

- Donald James Hull
- John I. Itzen
- Leonard Adrian Jones
- Leonard Kalkwarf
- Armand Renskers
- John Harry Sharpe
- Richard J. Skoog

Louis O. Springsteen

To the Senior Class:

Stanley George Albanesi

regular cross-pollination will, it is hoped, be maintaining an official.

Your Committee wishes to commend the President of the Faculty for his indefatigable labors on behalf of the University and his efforts to bring to the Board's attention the work which has been done of Dean Smith.

Your Committee believes in the spirit of mutual respect and fraternal fellowship and understanding existing between the Faculty and students. It is particularly pleased to note the increasing interest and good will being displayed between faculty members and Inter-Seminary Conferences, with Seminationals and Inter-Seminary Conferences. It is particularly pleased to note the increasing interest in the work.

The field work of the Board of Seminary, your Committee believes has helped to improve the quality of the work and to secure greater interest and financial support. It is particularly pleased to note the work of the field work.

The high quality of the outside members brought to the table during this past year has been a source of great inspiration and to the students and the faculty and Board work. It is the Committee's hope that this high standard may be maintained.

It is your Committee's earnest desire that your efforts in bringing up before the Board and Faculty work of your students and faculty in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Smith, Chairman
 Arthur C. Smith

The Committee on Examinations presented the following:

Fathers and Brothers:

1. Your Committee recommends that the examinations be held.
2. Your Committee recommends that the students be allowed to sit for the examination at the same time and place, and that the students be allowed to sit for the examination at the same time and place.

Respectfully submitted,
 E. William Fyle
 William D. Fyle
 John A. Smith

The Special Committee presented the following report:

Your Committee recommends that the Faculty policy on Examinations be in the line of recommendations.

Your Committee recommends that the Faculty be allowed to sit for the examination at the same time and place, and that the students be allowed to sit for the examination at the same time and place.

Respectfully submitted,
 E. William Fyle

The meeting of the Committee on Examinations was held on Wednesday at 4.00.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. Dr. J. H. Smith.

The Board was entertained at dinner at the University House.

At 5.00 P.M. a royal party was held in the University Chapel. The sermon was preached by the President of the Board, Rev. Dr. J. H. Smith, D.D. on "The Ministry of the Church", II. Cor. 12:18.

Respectfully submitted,

John Y. Broek, Stated Clerk.

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary met in special session in Dr. Sizoo's study on Monday, October 1, 1951, 5.00 P.M. President Dr. David Van Strien opened the meeting with prayer. The following were present:

Classes: Newark
Orange
Palisades
New Brunswick
Paramus
Albany
Philadelphia
Ulster
Westchester

From The Directors:

John Y. Broek
Garret C. Roorda
David Van Strien
James B. Mulder
Gerrit Heemstra
J. Elmer Hausmann, Jr.
Harold J. Schut
Robert Dickson
Theodore Brinckerhoff
A. L. Warnshuis
John J. Soeter
J. Harold Johnston
Joseph R. Sizoo

Dr. Sizoo presented the following recommendations from The Directors for consideration and the following action was taken:

1. Voted: that the President of the Board of Superintendents appoint a Special Committee to formulate plans for raising \$150,000 as authorized by the General Synod.
2. Voted: That the appeal for this fund be restricted to the three eastern Synods.
3. Voted: that the dates of the reorganization meeting of the Board of Superintendents shall be January 14 and 15 at a place to be announced later.
4. Voted: that the Plan of Reorganization of the Seminary be printed and sent to members.
5. Voted: That prior to the meeting in January a Special Committee shall advise the members of the Agenda and Constitution which will appear before it.

Dr. Sizoo stressed New Brunswick Seminary Sunday, November 4. He stated that 106 requests out of 444 churches had been received for literature to be used on that Sunday. Dr. Warnshuis stated that we must build a concern for the Seminary. \$12,000 was received from the churches last year. \$40,000 is annually requested from the churches to meet the Seminary's yearly budget of \$80,000.

It was voted that the Board of Superintendents send out a letter to Board members, prepared by Dr. Sizoo, signed by the President and Clergy emphasizing the largest Junior Class, numbering 25, to be enrolled in the Seminary. These students come from 16 different colleges; all are members of the Reformed Church with the exception of four who are Presbyterian. The total enrollment of the Seminary is 59. During the summer the classrooms in Suydam Hall have been redecorated and also a part of the Library. New apartments have been made in the west wing of Hertzog Hall. The cost of these improvements is \$24,000 which must be raised. General Synod has approved the Reorganization of the Board of Superintendents. An urgent appeal is to be made for funds for the maintenance of the Seminary.

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Dr. Sizoo presented a report of the Seminary, speaking of the fine spiritual life that is prevailing among the students and that the Seminary has had a spiritual uplift in the last two years.
The Board enjoyed the hospitality of Dr. Sizoo at dinner at 6.00 P.M.
The meeting adjourned at 8.00 P.M. after prayer by the Rev. James S. Mulder.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Brock, Clerk.

Board of Superintendents
New Brunswick Theological Seminary
January 14-15, 1952.

The first meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary as reconstituted under the Plan of Reorganization adopted by the General Synod in June, 1951, was called to order in Conference Room C of the Hotel Berkeley-Carteret, Asbury Park, N. J. at 11.40 A.M. on Monday, January 14, 1952, by Dr. David Van Strien, President of General Synod.

There were present:

Particular Synod of New Jersey:

Bergen	Rev. Willard H. Mullischleger	Term Exp.
Bergen, S.	Rev. Thomas Lamon	1953
Monmouth	Rev. August Pfaus, Jr.	1954
Newark	Rev. John Y. Broek	1955
New Brunswick	Rev. James B. Mulder	1956
Palisades	Rev. David Van Strien	1957
Paramus	Rev. Gerrit Heemstra	1958
Passaic	Rev. H. W. Pyle	1959
Philadelphia	Rev. Harold J. Schut	1960
Raritan	Rev. Thomas P. Haij	1961

Particular Synod of New York:

Hudson	Rev. John J. Gebhard, Jr.	Term Exp.
Long Island, N.	Rev. A. Nelson Doak	1957
Long Island, S.	Rev. Martin Paul Luther	1958
New York	Rev. John A. Springer	1959
Orange	Rev. Garrett C. Roorda	1960
Poughkeepsie	Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp	1961
Ulster	Rev. Robert S. Dickson	1962
Westchester	Rev. Theodore Brinckhoff	1963

Particular Synod of Albany:

Albany	Rev. J. Elmer Hausermann, Jr.	Term Exp.
Greene	Rev. John J. Van Noort (Absent)	1957
Montgomery	Rev. Henry C. Hoopers	1958
Rensselaer	Rev. Harold E. Pongtorn	1959
Rochester	Rev. Francis Dyckstra	1960
Saratoga	Rev. Maurice Snyder	1961
Schenectady	Rev. Franklin S. Dells	1962
Schoharie	Rev. Herman Luben	1963

Particular Synod of Chicago:

Particular Synod of Iowa:

Rev. George S. Holmes	Term Exp.
Rev. Willis J. Vander Zant (Ex.)	1953

At Large:

Mr. George Sluyter (Ex.)	Term Exp.
Mr. Stanley Crocker	1953
Mr. H. Albert Seiffert	1954
Mr. Randall J. Bosch	1955
Mr. Percy J. Crain	1956
Mr. John P. Holmes	1957
Mr. J. Harold Johnston	1958
Rev. A. L. Warnshuis (Ex.)	1959
Dr. F. M. Potter	1960
Mr. Willard R. Van Noort	1961
Mr. Arie Contant (Ex.)	1962
Mr. Russell V. Bruil (Ex.)	1963

Term Expires

At Large Cont.	
Mr. William R. Williams (Deceased)	1955
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink	1956
Rev. Laverne J. Vander Hill	1954
Rev. Henry A. Vruwink	1953
Rev. Winfield Burggraaff	1953
Rev. Edwin T. Jones (Ex.)	
Alumni Association Representative:	
Rev. John J. Soeter	
Secretary of the Board of Education:	
Rev. Bernard J. Mulder	
President of Hope College:	
Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers	
President of Central College:	
Dr. Gerrit Vander Lugt (Ex.)	
President of Northwestern Junior College:	
Dr. Frederick Wezeman	
President of the Seminary:	
Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo	

Those excused were the Rev. John J. Van Heest, Greene, 1952; Mr. George Sluyter, Particular Synod of Albany, 1955; Rev. Willis J. Vander Kooi, Particular Synod of Iowa, 1955; Mr. Arie Contant, New Jersey, 1956; Rev. Edwin T. Jones, Executive Committee, (Directors) 1953; Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, Treasurer, 1957; Mr. Russell V. Cruikshank, Executive Committee, 1956 and the Rev. Gerrit Vander Lugt, President of Central College, ex officio. Mr. William R. Williams, Particular Synod of New York was also absent. (Upon his return from the meeting of the Board Dr. Sizoo found a note from Mrs. Williams stating Mr. Williams had died December 8, 1951. Dr. Sizoo sent a note of condolence in the name of the Board.)

The Chair noted the fact that 43 of the 52 members of the Board were present. He extended a special welcome to those coming from Synods and institutions not located in the east.

S-1. Upon motion duly made seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas: The General Synod of the Reformed Church adopted a Plan of Reorganization of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in June, 1951, and duly recorded in the Minutes of the General Synod, and

Whereas: the Board of Superintendents and The Directors have been duly notified of this Plan of Reorganization and have approved it, and

Whereas: there is here present the necessary quorum of The Directors and the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary,

Therefore be it resolved: that the Board of Superintendents with The Directors as Executive Committee is hereby duly constituted as the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary meeting in the Hotel Berkeley-Carteret, Asbury Park, New Jersey, Monday, January 14 at 11.30 A.M., and that we proceed forthwith with the business at hand.

In the discussion previous to the adoption of the above resolution, the Rev. Dr. Vruwink stated that he has been asked to present the suggestion that some more appropriate name than "Board of Superintendents" be chosen. The Chair pointed out that such action could only be taken by General Synod.

S-2. It was moved by Dr. Thomas P. Haig on behalf of the Nominating Committee that the following serve as officers pro tem of the Board of Superintendents:

- Rev. David Van Strien as President
- Rev. Gerrit Heemstra as Vice President
- Mr. J. Harold Johnston as Secretary.

The motion was seconded and unanimously carried and the individual named assumed the offices as indicated.

S-3. The report of the Nominating Committee as attached hereto read by the Chairman of the Committee and placed on the table for consideration at the closing session. In response to a question from the floor, the Chair stated that the nominations included only those standing committees of the Board named in the by-laws and not such committees as the Executive Committee (Directors) might name in the carrying out their responsibilities.

S-4. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the resolution for the meeting be adopted as presented, subject to such changes from time to time as were necessary.

S-5. Dr. Sizoo reported that the Treasurer, Dr. Warnshuis was unable to attend because of illness. Upon motion, the Chair was instructed to send a telegram of greeting and best wishes from the Board to Warnshuis.

S-6. The Rev. John G. Gebhard, Jr. of the Classis of Hudson reported the inability of the Rev. John J. Van Heest of the Classis of Greene to attend. Upon motion, Mr. Gebhard was designated the pro tempore representative of the Classis of Greene, without vote.

S-7. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, Rev. Theodore Brinckerhoff was designated as the credentials officer of the meeting and authorized to audit on behalf of the Board such expense vouchers for the meeting as were payable by the Seminary.

The Rev. John Y. Broek closed the session with prayer at 12.25 P.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 2.45 P.M. The Rev. Thomas Lamont led in devotions.

S-8. Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo, President of the Seminary, presented a report as attached herewith. Discussion followed. Several suggestions for a more adequate screening of candidates were offered and referred to the Committee on Students and Examinations, Dr. Lubbers pointing out that the Seminary also had a responsibility in serving the churches which might not be fully accomplished if only high ranking students were accepted. Comment was made that when the present shortages of parish ministers was ended, perhaps in the next four or five years, there would be need for ministers in mental institutions, in industry, in the armed services, etc., and that the ministry would become more competitive. Sizoo expressed the belief that the Reformed Church could absorb about twenty graduates a year (retirements, transfers to other denominations, deaths, etc.) which meant an enrollment of not to exceed 60 or 65 students a year, of whom 25 would be first year men. The opinion was offered by several of those present that twenty graduates per year was too large a number. Dr. Sizoo expressed the hope that in due course provision could be made for the admission of a group of women, with Bachelor degrees, for training as Directors of Religious Education.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the report of the President of the Seminary be received with gratitude and that the relevant parts of the report be referred to the appropriate Standing Committees for study. It was especially agreed that all items in connection with screening would be referred to the incoming Committee on Students and Examinations.

The meeting recessed at 5.00 P.M., following prayer by the Rev. August Pfau, Jr.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8.05 P.M. The Rev. Melvin E. Brink led the devotions.

8-9. In the absence of Dr. W. L. Warnshuis, Mr. Johnston presented the Report of the Treasurer as attached herewith. He likewise presented a statement of receipts and disbursements and a balance sheet, all for the year of 1951 and a comparison of disbursements with the 1951 budget, all as attached herewith. He commented upon the fact that for each \$100 received by the Staff Conference for designated purposes, the New Brunswick Seminary received 60¢ under the percentage of distribution of such funds as approved by General Synod and that the American Bible Society receives a larger total from its 12 allocation than does the Seminary. Dr. Potter pointed out that the relationship of the Seminaries to General Synod was unique and that the financial support of the Seminaries was not actually a benevolence.

Mr. Johnston, reading from notes prepared by Dr. Warnshuis, reported that during the year gifts of \$2,000 from each of two donors had been received, that securities with a current market value of \$9,300 had been received from Dr. W. L. L. Feltz of Albany for the support of the Library and to be known as the "Fund for the benefit of Gardner A. Sage Library, given in memory of Rev. Philip Feltz, D.D., a graduate of the Class of 1887, and that since the books were closed on December 31st, a check for \$11,888.32 had been received from the Sage Estate. Dr. Simpson gave details about these gifts.

On motion, the Board recommended to the Executive Committee (Directors) that the Feltz gift be accepted under the terms and conditions as offered.

In summing up the financial situation of the Seminary for the year 1951, Mr. Johnston stated that without reference to the so-called Permanent Fund that Directors had adopted a budget for 1951 calling expenditures of \$77,998 for the operation of the Seminary and that \$17,937 had actually been expended leaving a deficit of \$60,061.32 for operations. During the first ten days of January, an additional \$1,418 had been received from churches for collections received during 1951. Therefore, because of the greatly increased support of the Seminary in the three eastern Synods and the \$9,000 contributed by the donors mentioned above, income for operations just about equalled expenses. Because of the absence of adequate working capital, however, bank borrowings had been necessary during the year.

Improvements in the physical plant had had to be made and \$13,481.88 from above the operating expenses had been spent for this purpose. As money had been borrowed from the unrestricted funds held by the Seminary, increasing the borrowings for such capital expenses to \$40,740.74. The remaining unrestricted capital funds are total only \$17,981.75, "there now come to the end of the road as there is not enough unrestricted capital left to make up for any large amount or future deficits", stated Dr. Warnshuis.

Dr. Rev. J. Elmer Haugland, Jr. of the Class of Albany stated that he himself offered few suggestions to help solve the Seminary's financial problem: 1. Make a direct assessment based upon members in the three eastern Synods or 2. Raise the tuition from \$25 a year to \$100 a year, especially for students not members of the Reformed Church. After discussion, these suggestions were referred, upon motion, to the Executive Committee (Directors) for study.

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the report of the Treasurer was received.

8-10. Upon motion the following recommendation is presented on behalf of the Treasurer and unanimously accepted:

That the Board of Superintendents cooperatively and individually accept the responsibility of providing more nearly adequate financial support for the maintenance and development of the Seminary; working most earnestly and effectively in each church, Classis and Synod to obtain action for generous participation in financial support of the Seminary.

S-11. Mr. Johnston stated that, because of the illness of Dr. Warnshuis, the budget for 1952 was not ready for presentation. He moved that the Board of Superintendents approve and recommend to the Executive Committee (Directors) the adoption of a budget for 1952 that will not exceed a total of \$80,000 (as compared with the budget of \$77,295 for 1951). The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

S-12. Dr. Sizoo reported that Dr. Warnshuis had requested that he be relieved of the Treasurership as of May 1, 1952 and that it might be possible to appoint an Assistant Treasurer or a special Committee to assist Warnshuis until that date. Upon motion, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee (Directors) with power.

S-13. The report of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds as attached herewith was presented by Mr. Percy G. Craig, its Chairman, and, upon motion, was received.

S-14. The report of the Committee on Admission of Students as attached was presented by its Chairman, Rev. John Y. Broek. After discussion upon motion, it was duly received.

S-15. The report of the Committee on Examinations as attached herewith was presented by its Chairman, the Rev. Henry William Pyle, and, upon motion, was received. Upon motion, the report was referred to the incoming Committee on Students and Examinations with the understanding that the Committee, after consultation with the President and Faculty, will prepare recommendations for the consideration of the Board of Superintendents.

S-16. The report of the Committee on Library as presented by its Chairman, Rev. Daniel Y. Brink, and as attached herewith was, upon motion, received. The suggestion in the report that an Assistant Librarian be employed was referred, upon motion, to the incoming Committee.

S-17. The report of the Joint Committee on Instruction as attached was presented by its Chairman, the Rev. Henry A. Vruwink. Upon motion, was received. The difficulty of securing a candidate to succeed Dr. Beardslee as Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis was discussed and the matter, upon motion, was referred to the incoming Committee.

The meeting adjourned, upon motion, at 10.30 P.M. following prayer by the Rev. A. Nelson Doak.

The meeting was called to order at 9.15 A.M., Tuesday, January 15, 1952, by the Vice President, the Rev. Gerrit Heemstra. The Rev. Francis Dykstra led the devotions. Dr. Van Strien read a telegram of greeting from Dr. A. L. Warnshuis.

S-18. Dr. Thomas P. Haig, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, moved that the report of that Committee be taken from the table (S-3). The motion was seconded and carried. He then moved the election of the following officers:

For President, the Rev. Dr. David Van Strien
 For Vice President, the Rev. Robert G. Dickson
 For Treasurer, the Rev. Dr. A. L. Warnshuis
 For Secretary, Mr. J. Harold Johnston

The motion was duly seconded and unanimously carried. The Chair declared them duly elected, the President and Vice President to serve until the next annual meeting and the Treasurer and Secretary to serve until the annual meeting in January, 1955, as provided in Section II, Paragraph 5, of the 1951 Plan of Reorganization.

S-19. Upon motion, duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the appointment of the following individuals to the indicated Committees as recommended by the Committee on Nominations was approved and confirmed:

Committee on Students and Examinations

Daniel Y. Brink, Chairman

H. William Pyle

Erwin T. Jones

James B. Mulder

Harold J. Schut

A. Nelson Doak

August Pfaus, Jr.

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum

Willard G. Wullschlegel, Chairman

Garrett C. Roorda

Henry A. Vruwink

Harold E. Pangburn

F. M. Potter

Laverne J. Vander Hill

Franklin S. Deitz

Committee on Museum and Library

Thomas P. Haig, Chairman

John J. Van Heest

John J. Soeter

Franklin J. Hinkamp

Thomas Lamont

J. Elmer Hausmann, Jr.

Committee on Promotion

Gerrit Heemstra, Chairman

H. Albert Seiffert

Francis Dykstra

Winfield Burggraaff

Stanley Crocker

Maurice Snyder

Committee on Nominations

Theodore Brinckerhoff, Chairman

John J. Gebhard, Jr.

Martin Paul Luther

Joyn Y. Broek

Henry O. Hospers George Sluyter

Herman Luben

S-20. Dr. Sizoo read the Minutes of the last (September 28, 1951) meeting of The Directors, now the Executive Committee (Directors) of the Board of Superintendents. Upon motion, the Minutes were accepted, with the request that hereafter either a copy of the Minutes or a digest of them be mailed to the members of the Board of Superintendents as soon as possible following each meeting of the Executive Committee (Directors). At this point, Dr. Van Strien assumed the Chair.

S-21. Rev. Willard G. Wullschlegel, Chairman of the incoming Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum, stated that as the Committee had no prospect of securing a successor to Dr. Beardslee at the time of the Spring Meeting and as Dr. Beardslee had his own plans to arrange, he moved that Dr. John W. Beardslee, Jr. be invited to continue as Acting Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament for the academic year of 1952-53 under the same arrangements as for 1951-52. The motion was seconded. It was agreed in the discussion which followed that (1) it was not wise policy to continue former professors as active teachers but that as Dr. Beardslee was an unusual teacher and in such excellent health the exception would be made in this order, and that (2), because Dr. Beardslee would be willing to continue at any time during the year, his reappointment should not

deter the Committee from vigorously pushing its search. The motion unanimously passed.

S-22. The report of the Committee on Promotion as attached hereto was presented by its Chairman, the Rev. Gerrit Heemstra. The leaflet referred to in the report but not attached thereto was read by the Rev. Garrett J. Roorda. Upon motion, the report was received and the item considered seriatim.

Following discussion and motion, unanimously carried in each instance the following were adopted:

I. Relations with Churches.

- a. We urge each Classis to appoint a Standing Committee to supervise students under its care preparing for the ministry. We recommend an overture to General Synod that all men entering the Seminary be examined by this Classical Committee before being received by the Seminary.
- b. We approve the principle that a report on the work of the students from the different Classes be sent by the Seminary to the members of the Board of Superintendents representing the Classes concerned, but we refer the matter of working out the details to the President of the Seminary.
- c. We urge that the Seminary continue the inter-change visitation with the Western Seminary. This proved very successful for the last two years.
- d. The Seminary shall send to each Superintendent, material to be presented to the meeting of Classes and Particular Synods. We are desirous that these bodies be well informed so that the work and condition of the Seminary may be known in our different churches.

II. Recruiting for the Ministry.

- a. The leaflet "The Reason for Going into the Christian Ministry" was approved, subject to such editing and re-writing as the Committee thought desirable.
- b. We recommend that the claims of the ministry be presented as a part of the program of our young people's conferences.

III. Publicity for the Seminary.

- a. We recommend that New Brunswick Theological Seminary Sunday be held again next year and that we overture General Synod for such a Sunday. Special bulletins, envelopes and a brochure or leaflet is to be prepared for use on this day.
- b. We recommend that the Seminary publish a quarterly news letter to be sent all ministers and that a reporter be chosen to prepare Seminary news for submission regularly to the Church Herald.
- c. We recommend Laymen's Week-end Visitation to the Seminary on a Saturday for the three Particular Synods of the east, the theme for such visitation would include such subjects as (1) Whom are we training? (2) The curricula. (3) The Professors. (4) The physical equipment. (5) Finances of the Seminary. (6) Inspirational addresses on the importance of the ministry.

- IV. Relationship to Superintendents.
- Superintendents are requested to send carbon copy of their reports to their classes or particular Synods to the Seminary.
 - Report from the Seminary on the status of different churches is to be sent to each Superintendent, prior to the different meetings of the Synodal Board. The Superintendent is requested to contact the churches who are not giving to the Seminary.
 - The Board Committee on Education will function and keep in touch with the students and classes.

8-23. Ways and means of securing \$25,000.00 to balance the operating budget for 1958 were discussed in detail. The merits of free will contributions, Seminary Fund, assignments, social, approaches to industry, etc. were considered.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Committee on Promotion establish suggested amounts for each class in the eastern Synods, that each class be requested to accept a specific sum which it will endeavor to raise by asking the churches to include in their budgets items for the support of the New England Seminary.

8-24. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that President Elmo be requested to communicate with the President of the Western Seminary with respect to the advisability of requesting General Synod to move the seminaries from the current location of the Staff Conference of unaffiliated Denominations.

8-25. President Elmo outlined a plan for the campaign to raise \$1,000 for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the Seminary property. In essence, he proposed regional meetings of representatives of the churches at which a team of three workers would present the need and the representatives would be asked, in turn, to accept the need to their respective Denominations. After discussion and after several suggestions had been made, the report upon action and unanimous approval, resolved and the Committee was granted power to proceed with the campaign in each Synod as it brought them.

8-26. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Executive Committee (Directors) be given the power to secure the services of a properly qualified person for the purpose of soliciting funds for the Seminary.

8-27. Reference was made to the fact that the Rev. Martin Paul had been elected by General Synod upon both the Board of Superintendents (1958) and the Executive Committee (1959) 1958. The same was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

8-28. Upon motion, the Board was instructed to approve the resolution of the Board to the recommendation of the said Board. The Board was instructed to have a copy of the resolution made for the meeting.

There was no further business to come before the meeting.

Dr. Elmo led the meeting in a closing service of dedication following prayer of the Revs. Hennessey, Sawyer, Cronin and Bernard Mulder.

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:25 P.M. Dr. Elmo presided over the adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Smith
Secretary.

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was called to order in the Study Room of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary at 2.00 P.M., Wednesday, May 14, 1952, in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary Library, New Brunswick at 2.00 P.M., Wednesday, May 14, 1952, in the Study Room of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. The Rev. Dr. David Van Strien, President of the Board, the Rev. Dr. David Van Strien. The Rev. J. Schut led in prayer. There were present: The Revs.

Henry O. Hospers
Harold E. Pangburn
Francis Dykstra
Franklin S. Deitz
Herman Luben
George C. Douma
A. L. Warnshuis
Daniel Y. Brink
Laverne J. Vander Hill
Henry A. Vruwink
Edwin to Jones
John J. Soeter
Willard G. Wullschlegler
Joseph R. Sizoo

August Pfaus, Jr.
John Y. Broek
James B. Mulder
David Van Strien
Gerrit Heemstra
H. W. Py
Harold J. Schut
Thomas P. Haig
John J. Gebhard, Jr.
A. Nelson Doak
Martin Paul Luther
Garrett C. Roorda
Robert G. Dickson
Theodore Brinckerhoff
J. Elmer Hausmann, Jr.

Messrs

H. Albert Seiffert
Randall C. Bosch
Percy G. Craig
J. Harold Johnston
Willard R. Van Nostrand
Arie Contant

The following were excused:

Revs. Thomas Lamont
Winfield Graaff
Bernard J. Mulder
Messrs. John P. Holmes
F. M. Lotier

The Minutes of the Previous meeting held on January 14-15, 1952, were approved as distributed in mimeograph form shortly after that meeting.

S-29 The summary of income and expenses for the four months ending April 30, 1952, and the balance sheet as of April 30, 1952, were presented by the Treasurer, Dr. A. L. Warnshuis. Upon motion, these reports, as attached herewith, were received.

S-30 The Treasurer read his report dated May 14, 1952 (as attached herewith) in which he pointed out the urgent need of ascertaining the financial support to be received from churches during the year. He estimated assured income at \$52,000 against a need for \$82,000, leaving \$40,000 still to be secured. After long discussion it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board of Superintendents assure the President and Treasurer of the Seminary that through its member-representatives from the respective Classes, a vigorous approach to the churches urging more generous support of the Seminary would be made and that the Board would so promote the Seminary cause that sufficient funds to balance the budget would be received.

S-31 The Treasurer presented a budget calling for expenditures for 1952 of \$82,451 for submission to the 1952 General Synod, as recommended by the Executive Committee (Directors) and as attached herewith. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board approve the submission of the budget to General Synod.

S-32 The President of the Seminary presented his report as attached herewith. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the report

be approved and that it be submitted to General Synod as the report of the Board of Superintendents over the signatures of the President and Secretary.

S-33 Mr. Craig presented the report of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds. Upon motion, it was referred to the Executive Committee (Directors) with power to carry out the recommendations.

At this point, the members of the Faculty (Drs. Hoffman, James, MacLean, and Van Wyk, the absence of Dr. Beardslee, because of illness, was noted) were welcomed to the meeting and Dr. MacLean, Secretary of the Faculty, presented the Faculty's report, following which each professor spoke briefly and informally. The comments were as follows: Each type of student, each honestly consecrated. Reports indicate that the recent graduates are doing a fine job in their respective churches. The year has been a busy one, with a sense of accomplishment. The spirit has been fine. Field work (week-ends) has been unusually heavy because of the increased enrollment, but all juniors were placed and 37 have been placed in summer jobs. The Superintendents can be of great help to the Faculty for all - students, faculty, Superintendents and churches - share alike in the effort to serve Christ. The Chair expressed the deep appreciation of the Board for the faithful and capable services of the Faculty members. The report, upon motion, was accepted. (This report contained the same factual material as the President's report).

S-34 The Rev. Heemstra read a report from the Committee on Promotion. After discussion, the report was received and upon motion in each instance, action on the recommendations of the Committee were unanimously taken as follows:

1. That an Overture be sent to General Synod asking that November 2, 1952, be set aside as New Brunswick Seminary Sunday. Approved.
2. That laymen's visitation programs be established at the Seminary on October 18th for the Particular Synod of New Jersey and on November 15th for the Particular Synod of New York, with Dr. Sizoo and others visiting the different churches in the Particular Synod of New Jersey. Approved.
3. That each church be urged through the respective classical representatives on the Board of Superintendents to place the Seminary in its budget for a direct payment (contribution but not a benevolence). Approved.
4. That the percentage of benevolence giving for educational institutions be used as a means for asking for special gifts for the Seminary. Referred back to the Committee for further study and report.
5. That a field worker be engaged to raise money for the Seminary. Referred to the Executive Committee with power.

S-35 The Committee on Promotion was asked, upon motion, to prepare appropriate material, requesting reports on each church in the three Synods no later than June 21, 1952, upon 1. Will that church make a contribution to the Seminary before December 31, 1952 and if so, 2. What is the amount of the contribution?

S-36 The Rev. Mr. ... reported verbally for the Committee on Students and Examinations. The Committee had met that morning and was in the process of studying the final examination papers and sermons of the students.

S-37 The Rev. Mr. Wullschlegler stated that the Committee on Promotion had been considering a successor to Dr. Beardslee, but had no recommendation to present.

S-38 Mr. Brink reported for the Rev. Dr. Haig, Chairman of the Committee on Library, and presented the report of the Librarian as attached hereto.

S-39 The Rev. Mr. Brinckerhoff stated that the Report of the Committee on Nominations could not report until the morning.

S-40 The Rev. Dr. Broek called the attention to the custom of hanging oil paintings of former faculty members in the Library and noted the presence of a portrait of Dr. Raven and others. Upon motion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Library.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned, upon motion, at 5.15 P.M. to reconvene Thursday morning, May 15 at 9.30 A.M. The Rev. Mr. Dickson closed the meeting with prayer.

The Board conducted a closing service in the Chapel for the students and such graduates as were present at 8.00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold E. Pangburn
Secretary

Following this service the Board of Superintendents met in the Chapel, President Van Strien presiding. The Rev. Daniel Y. Brink was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The three Seniors were introduced, one at a time, by Professor Jones and were interrogated by the President and other members of the Board. Voted: to give professorial certificates to Paul Babich and to E. Van Heukelom if he obtains a dispensation from the General Synod, excusing him from the language requirements. Wilbur T. Washington, a member of the Presbyterian Church, was not a candidate for the professorial certificate. The meeting was closed with prayer and adjourned at 9.45 to reconvene the next morning at 9.30 A.M.

The Board of Superintendents reconvened at 9.30 A.M. Thursday, May 15, 1952 in the Study Room of the Sage Library, New Brunswick. Prayer was offered by Mr. Luben. The Vice President, the Rev. Mr. Dickson, presided.

Present were: Dr. Sizoo, President Van Strien, Vice President Dickson, Jones, Heemstra, Van Nostrand, Gebhard, Brinckerhoff, Pfau, Warnshuis, Hausmann, Snyder, Pangburn, Schut, Dykstra, Roorda, Bosch, Luben, Lamont and Soeter.

The Treasurer, Dr. Warnshuis, reported that the Executive Committee met the afternoon of May 14 and resolved that there be no further action on the budget till the last week of June after the intentions of the church are reported by the members of the Board of Superintendents and that, in the meantime, there shall be no expenditures except contractual and incapable needs. Voted: to approve above action of Executive Committee.

Report of Nominating Committee: Mr. Brinckerhoff presented the report as follows: Your Committee recommends that the following men be nominated to the General Synod for election to the Board of Superintendents for term ending December 31, 1958 unless otherwise indicated:

Classis of Greene
Classis of New Brunswick
Classis of Poughkeepsie
Classis of Rensselaer
Classis of Rochester
Classis of Saratoga

Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp
Rev. Harold E. Pangburn
Rev. Paul Morehouse
Rev. Martin Hoeksema

Members at Large

Dr. F. M. Potter
Alumni Representative

Mr. Arie Contant
Rev. John J. Soeter

To fill the unexpired term of Mr. Wm. R. Williams, deceased: Mr. A. A. Buzzi
The following are nominated for election to the Executive Committee (Directors) to 1958:

Rev. M. Paul Luther (succeeding himself)
Mr. A. A. Buzzi (succeeding Dr. Potter)

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Brinckerhoff, Chairman

S-43. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the vice chairman pro tem appoint a committee to prepare a report expressing the Board's appreciation to the members of the Administrative Committee for the devoted service each had given to the Seminary. Upon further motion, the Secretary was instructed to express the Board's appreciation to the Consistory of the First Church in Pompton Plains for permitting Mr. Jones to devote the time he had to Seminary matters.

S-44. Mr. Soeter appointed the Reverends Vruwink, chairman, Burggraaf, Lamont, Hopsers and Mr. Contant as the Committee on resolutions.

The Rev. Mr. Jones reassumed the chair.

S-45. The Rev. Dr. M. Stephen James made his report as Dean of the Seminary. Upon motion, it was received and the various items referred to the appropriate committee. Several members commended Dr. James for the fine work he and the faculty had done.

S-46. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Committee on Resolutions be requested to draft resolutions expressing appreciation to the Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo for his services to the Seminary, and one in memory of Dr. F. Potter.

At this point, the Board went into executive session.

S-47. Mr. Johnston presented the report of the Committee on the President. Discussion followed. At 5:00 P.M., it was agreed, upon motion, to recess at 5:30 P.M., at which time the report would be laid on the table until the session on Tuesday morning.

The meeting recessed at 5:30 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. The Rev. August Pfau led in prayer.

The meeting reconvened at 8:15 P.M. in open session with Mr. Jones in the chair. The Rev. Mr. Brink led the devotional service. The topic was "How God Trains His Leaders" the scripture lesson was from Luke X.

S-48. The treasurer, Dr. Warnshuis, presented the finance report for the year 1952. Upon motion, it was received with deep appreciation to the treasurer. After discussion, it was voted that the Board of Superintendents recommends to the Executive Committee and to the Committee on Promotion that careful consideration be given to efforts to obtain additional income for the purpose of securing the full amount that has been temporarily borrowed from unrestricted capital funds to cover current operations.

S-49. The treasurer presented the 1953 budget for suggestions and comments. After discussion, it was voted that the Board of Superintendents approves the adoption by the Executive Committee of a budget for operating expenses of the Seminary in the year 1953 amounting to a total of \$91,000. (exclusive of salaries for a president and an additional member of the faculty) with the understanding that the Executive Committee will determine the distribution of such a budget.

Voted that, after consultation with the Western Seminary, an overture be sent to General Synod asking that the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary be authorized to determine the salaries of the professors in the Seminary with the understanding that the responsibility for obtaining the funds rests with the Board.

S-50. The resignation of Dr. Warnshuis as treasurer was accepted with deep regret and, upon motion, the Resolutions Committee was requested to draft a resolution expressing the Board's feeling on the matter.

S-51. Mr. Percy G. Craig, chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, reported of that committee. Upon motion, it was received and the Board recommended to the Executive Committee (Directors) that \$15,000. (as included in the report) be allotted to the committee for rehabilitation of buildings. The report concerning a campaign for \$150,000. for capital purposes was received by the Executive Committee.

S-52. The Rev. Daniel Y. Brink presented the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations, of which he is chairman. Upon motion, the report was received and the recommendations were adopted. Discussion centered around the need for the Classis to keep in touch with their respective students in the Seminary, the anomaly that students reach during their junior and middle years but are not licensed until just before their graduation, and the great number of instances a student must appear before official representatives to make declarations of his faith and motivation in entering the ministry. The following actions were taken:

Voted: that the Committee on Students and Examinations be requested to recommend a method whereby the Classis from which a student comes may maintain contact with the student during his period of study at the Seminary.

Voted: that the Committee be directed to study a possible change in the Constitution with regard to the matter of the licensure of Seminary students of the junior year and to report on the subject at the annual meeting in 1954.

Voted: that the Board conduct a baccalaureate-type program for the graduates on the evening prior to commencement.

S-53. The report of the Committee on Professorate and Curriculum was presented by its chairman, the Rev. Willard Wulschleger. Upon motion, it was received. Discussion followed. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the board of Superintendents and the faculty of the New Brunswick Seminary jointly recommends to General Synod the continuance of the study of the original languages as required by the Constitution of the Reformed Church.

On reaching this conclusion the Committee took into consideration the following factors.

1. The primary aim of our Theological Seminaries is to train men for the proclamation of the word of God.
2. For this task exegesis of the word of God in the original languages is of paramount importance.
3. For a faithful interpretation of the Bible there can be no substitute for a knowledge of the original languages. This requires to be emphasized in view of the confusion that arises because of the variety of academic translations in English.
4. To make these languages elective in our Seminaries is to open the door for their elimination from the curriculum. This is borne out in the experience of churches which have adopted this policy.
5. A practical consideration: if these languages were made elective and a large number of students elected the English courses, then the teaching staff in the Biblical field would have to be enlarged to provide for the parallel courses.

The Committee recommends that the Faculties of the two Seminaries explore the possibility of a concentrated course of Hebrew of 5 or 6 weeks duration in the year after the Junior year.

S-54. A resolution overturing General Synod to eliminate the provision in Article X of the Constitution requiring the Classis to examine candidates in the original languages was, upon motion, referred back to the board for re-wording and presentation at the next meeting of the board.

S-55. The report of the Museum and Library Committee was presented by its chairman, the Rev. Dr. T. H. Hag, and the report of the Librarian was presented. Upon motion, both reports were received.

S-56. The Rev. John J. Soeter, representative of the Alumni Association, reported for that association. Upon motion, the report was received and the recommendation concerning a change in the program at Commencement time whereby the Alumni Association would meet in the morning before Commencement and have lunch together after Commencement with alumni speakers (with a separate luncheon for ladies), was approved.

S-57. The Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, chairman of the Committee on Promotion, presented the report of that committee. Upon motion, the report was received and a vote of appreciation was extended to the Committee for its successful activities during the year. After discussion, it was-

Voted: that all of the recommendations be approved and accepted except the one proposing that Seminary Sunday be moved from the first Sunday in November to the first Sunday in December.

Voted: that General Synod be overtured to set aside November 1st as Seminary Sunday in 1953 (it being understood that if local conflicts occurred, individual churches would designate the date most convenient to them).

S-58. The Secretary read the report of Mrs. Stephen James, chairman of the Sponsoring Committee of the recently organized Woman's Auxiliary. It was received and a vote of thanks to the ladies of the Auxiliary was given. After discussion it was-

Voted: that the establishment of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Seminary be officially recognized and approved, that the importance of avoiding duplication of appeals for the financial support of the seminary be noted and that the Auxiliary be authorized to solicit funds for the same projects as the Committee on Buildings and Grounds may approve.

The meeting recessed at 11:10 P.M. until 9:00 A.M. on January 20. The Rev. Dr. Winfield Burggraaff led in prayer.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 9:10 A.M., Tuesday, January 20, 1953. Mr. Brinkerhoff's devotional topic was "How God Uses His Men" with the scripture reading from the sixth chapter of II Corinthians.

S-59. The Rev. Theodore Brinkerhoff, chairman of the Committee on Nominations, placed the following names in nomination:

As Members-at-Large, Board of Superintendents

Class of 1959

Mr. Stanley H. ...
Rev. Edwin Thomas Jones
Mr. Roger F. Murray, 2nd
Mr. L. Russell Feakes

Class of 1958

Mr. A.A. Buzzi (to readjust his term)
Mr. William E. Rylance (replacing Dr. Potter)

After discussion, it was
 Voted: that the Board of Superintendents nominate the above individuals
 to General Synod for election for the indicated term. There were no additional
 nominations.

As Officers of the Board of Superintendents

For President:	Rev. Edwin Thomas Jones
For Vice President:	Rev. Garrett C. Roorda
For Secretary:	Mr. J. Harold Johnston
For Treasurer:	Mr. L. Russell Peakes

Since Chairman pro tem Soeter took the chair. He called for further nominations. There
 were none. on proper motion it was

Voted: that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot
 for the nominees. This was done and the chair declared the individuals duly elected
 to the indicated offices.

As Members of Committees of the Board of Superintendents

Students and Examinations

Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, Chairman	
Rev. William Lyle	Rev. A. Nelson Doak
Rev. John A. Springer	Rev. Theodore Brinckerhoff
Rev. James B. Mulder	Rev. Arie Contant

Professorate

Rev. Willard Mullschleger, Chairman	
Rev. Garrett Roorda	Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp
Rev. Harold Pengburn	Rev. Herman Luben
Rev. LaVerne J. Vander Hill	Rev. Henry A. Vruwink

Library and Museum

Rev. Thomas P. Haig, Chairman	
Rev. Thomas Lamont	Rev. Harry P. Morehouse
Rev. J. Elmer Hausman	Rev. A.L. Wijnshuis
Rev. John J. Gebhard	Rev. August Pfau

Promotion

Rev. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman	
Rev. J. Dean Dykstra	Rev. Daniel Y. Brink
Rev. Martin Hoeksema	Mr. Stanley A. Crocker
Rev. Vernon O. Nagel	Mr. William R. Rylance

Nominations

Rev. M. Paul Luther, Chairman	
Rev. John Y. Broek	Rev. Henry O. Hospers
Rev. Franklin C. Dietz	Mr. George Sluyter
Rev. Harold J. Schut	Mr. Henry Seiffert

There were no additional nominations. On motion, the above were duly appointed.

As Members of the Executive Committee Directors

To be nominated for election by the General Synod-
 Class of 1959

Rev. Edwin Thomas Jones
Mr. Roger F. Murray, 2nd

S-60. It was moved, seconded and carried that the President of the Board be
 authorized and directed to prepare and submit to General Synod the required annual
 report of the Seminary.

S-61. The Committee on Resolutions, chaired by Dr. Vruwink, presented the following four resolutions. In each instance, the resolution was adopted and the Secretary was instructed to send copies to the appropriate individuals.

With respect to Dr. Potter (S-46 By Dr. Vruwink)

It is with deep sorrow that we record the death of Francis Marmaduke Potter, L.H.D., D.D., at his home in Metuchen, N.J., in August 17, 1952.

In his passing the Protestant Church lost a faithful and valuable servant. While giving himself wholeheartedly and with unusual wisdom to his duties as the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, he found time to be an estate counselor and an efficient administrator in national and international missionary conferences. Few men have contributed more than he to the Reformed Church in America.

Dr. Potter attended the New Brunswick Theological Seminary for two years from September, 1911 to May, 1913. From then on until the time of his death, the central institution of the Reformed Church in America claimed his vital interest. For fifteen years, he served as a member of its Board of Direction, fourteen of those years as its vice-president. They who served with him on committees remember with gratitude his keen analyses, his mature judgment and his practical wisdom.

Being himself a scholar, especially in the fields of Greek, Greek literature and missions, he did much to help the Seminary maintain high intellectual standards. As an intelligent as well as devout churchman, he realized the importance of thorough training for the Ministry and, therefore, gave much of himself to the work of the Seminary. And, undergirding it all, his life and his service, was a strong and steady reliance on the grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ.

With respect to Dr. Sizoo (S-46 By Mr. Lamon)

On July 1, 1952, after five years of faithful and devoted service, Dr. Joseph H. Sizoo resigned as President of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. It was with deep regret that the Board of Superintendents learned of Dr. Sizoo's decision.

During the five years that Dr. Sizoo was President he laid rich resources of his mature life at the service of the Seminary. As one of the outstanding preachers of America he frequently occupied some of the influential pulpits in the country and was often guest preacher in College and University Chapels. On his many travels he carried the name of the Seminary with him and challenged young men with the Vocation of the Christian Ministry.

We can not but be cognizant of the fact that when Dr. Sizoo was President of the Seminary, the student enrollment increased and the financial position was strengthened. He worked zealously to make the Seminary a real part of the consciousness of the denomination, and, because of his earnest Christian devotion and unselfish gifts, did much toward making the Seminary a center of spiritual influence in the life of our church.

In Dr. Sizoo our Seminary found a President who magnified his high office, was devotedly consecrated to the highest ideals of the Christian Church, one who always carried a continuing concern for the academic integrity of the Seminary.

We pray that Heaven's richest blessing may be upon him in his new office.

With respect to the Administrative Committee (S-43 by Dr. Burggraff)

In his report as chairman of the Administrative Committee acting as President, Mr. Jones has called attention to the extensive and faithful service of the other members of that committee, namely, Mr. Johnston, as clerk, Dr. Wernst, as treasurer, and Mr. Craig with respect to buildings and grounds, and of others not on that committee, including Mr. Heemstra, chairman of the Committee on Promotion.

The Board of Superintendents adds its own appreciation for the work of the entire committee, noting especially the initiative and vigor with which it went

work, laid plans and carried them out; and the eagerness with which it shared its message and plans with all of us, asking for suggestions and in all things actually acting as an arm of this Board, not ignoring the responsibility which we all share in the Seminary.

But the chairman could not, with grace do, though he might well do it now do by commending the Rev. Edwin Thomas Jones for his faithful and zealous performance of his task as chairman of the committee, for the utter lack of any preconceived assumptions, while in brotherly manner the directives of the committee and the work of the Seminary carried on.

We thank him with all our hearts and share with him our conviction that his work has been exceptionally well done. Some fruit it has already yielded, but there will be more as his work is integrated into the ever-going life of our Seminary. We put it all in a brief and sincere: Thank you, Mr. Jones.

With respect to Dr. Warnshuis (S-50 By Mr. Hospers)

The Board of Superintendents knew that sometime Dr. A.L. Warnshuis would want to be relieved of his tremendous responsibilities as treasurer of our Seminary. Last evening, January 1st, 1953, the Board was faced with the sad task of accepting his resignation. The least we can do to show our appreciation of the services of Dr. Warnshuis is to place on record the following resolution:

Be it resolved that we honor Dr. Warnshuis for leading us as a Seminary perhaps the most critical years in her history. He has brought to the office of treasurer the executive skill that has come to him as secretary for twenty-five years of the International Missionary Council and an understanding of church finances which came to him as treasurer of the Board of Direction of the Reformed Church in America.

His concern and love for the Seminary was evidenced in many ways but especially when from his hospital bed, he engaged a secretary to dispatch his responsibility. We sincerely believe that Dr. Warnshuis will go down in the history of our denomination as perhaps her ablest ecclesiastical statesman.

The Lord has blessed him with many gifts and these he laid reverently and lovingly at the feet of his Lord. The Seminary and the Church will be everlastingly indebted to him.

That he continue to serve the Seminary with his wise counsel and that God may continue to use him and richly bless him is the sincere prayer of the Board of Superintendents.

At this point, the Board went into executive session and the discussion upon the report of the Committee on the Presidency (S-47) was resumed.

S-62. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that when, and if, the time of voting upon individuals was reached. all votes would be by written, secret ballot and that the balloting would continue until not less than three quarters of those present had agreed upon the individual.

S-63. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board approve in general but not necessarily in all details the description and concept of the office of president of the Seminary as outlined in the Committee's report.

S-64. After long discussion, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that a secret ballot be taken to ascertain the "state of opinion" of the Board. Dr. Brink led in prayer. The chair appointed the Reverends Vander Kooi and Dietz as tellers. The tellers announced that 12 had expressed themselves in favor of Dr. James, 6 in favor of Dr. B. deau, 2 in favor of the Rev. Daniel Y. Brink, 1 each in favor of Prof. Milton J. Hoffman and the Rev. Marion deVelder, and 8 had indicated unreadiness to vote for any individuals at this time. Thirty-three ballots had been cast.

S-65. A motion, duly made and seconded, that the Board request the Executive Committee to continue the present temporary arrangements (Administrative Committee until the May meeting of the Board was tabled.

S-66. It was moved, seconded and carried that a nominating ballot be taken. This resulted in 15 votes for Dr. James, 11 for Dr. Badeau, 3 for Mr. Brink, 1 for Mr. deVelder, and 1 for Dr. Romig with 3 stating "not ready"; a total of 34.

S-67. The motion that the Board of Directors be requested to continue the present temporary arrangements until the May meeting (S-65) was taken from the floor and unanimously adopted.

S-68. A motion that the Board vote upon the three highest in the nominating ballot (S-66) was lost. (Before the motion was put, Mr. Brink asked that his name be withdrawn.) In the discussion which followed, several members indicated their desire to talk with Dr. Badeau (a showing of hands indicated that well over half of those present had not met him) before they voted. As it was understood that Dr. Badeau had just arrived in this country, such a conference seemed possible.

S-69. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that Dr. Barnshuis be requested to arrange a day and time when the Board could meet with Dr. Badeau in New York City.

S-70. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Committee on the Presidency be authorized and instructed to interview Dr. James and such other individuals as it may desire with respect to the vacancy.

Upon motion, duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting recessed to reconvene in New York City at a time when Dr. Badeau can be present. (S-69)

The Rev. Mr. Nagel closed the meeting with prayer at 1:05 P.M.

There is attached herewith copies of all the reports mentioned above.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Johnston
 Harold Johnston,
 Secretary

January 29th, 1953.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary was held in the Assembly Room, 220 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Thursday, January 29, 1953. President of the Board, Jones, called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M. The Rev. Mr. George W. Douma led in prayer.

There were present the Reverends Brinckerhoff (Chester), Jones, Vander Dykstra (Ulster), Doak (L.I. North), Wulschlaeger (Saratoga), Barnard (Hudson), Luther (L.I. South), Hausmann (Albany), Springer (New York), Bruwink, Lurggraff, Brink, Soeter, Nagel (Greene), Douma (I.S. Chicago), Lyle (Massachusetts), J. J. Mulder (New Brunswick), Hinkamp (Poughkeepsie), Pool (Palisades), Luben (Schoharie), Heemstra (Paramus), Hoeksema (Saratoga), Barnshuis, and the Messrs. Stanton, Craig, Johnston, Seiffert and Van Nostrand, some 30 in all. The Secretary reported that a quorum was present.

S-71. Mr. Johnston, chairman of the Committee on the Presidency, reported that Dr. John S. Badeau had notified the committee on January 29th (S-69) that he had accepted the presidency of the Near East Foundation and that Dr. M. Stephen Jones had expressed his willingness to accept the presidency of the Seminary if the Board

their terms as members of the Board of Superintendents, thus raising a difficulty because the Directors must also be Superintendents. Upon motion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Nominations for recommendation to the Executive Committee (Directors).

S-83. It was moved, seconded and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to Committee on Nominations.

S-84. The Rev. Mr. George C. Douma, who had travelled from Grand Rapids to attend the meeting, praised the Board for the democratic procedure it had followed to choose a president and for the detailed financial and other data it made available to members from time to time. He likewise praised the Rev. Mr. Jones both as chairman of the Administrative Committee and as presiding officer of the meeting.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M., the Rev. Mr. Hinkamp closing the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted

James Hinkamp
J. Hinkamp,
Secretary

20, 1953.

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held at the Seminary on Wednesday, May 20, 1953. The Rev. Mr. T. Jones, President of the Board called the meeting to order at 2:15 P.M. The Rev. George Douma led in prayer. In the absence of the Secretary, the Rev. John J. Soeter was named Secretary pro tem.

The following members were present: Hinkamp, Bosch, Pangburn, Luben, Morehouse, Nagel, Douma, Beitz, Hoeksema, Feakes, Seiffert, Pool, Soeter, Brinckerhoff, James, Luther, Broek, Mulder (J.E.), Van Nostrand, Craig, Koorda, Ullschleger, Brink, Pfaff, Haig, Vander Hill, Warnshuis, Gebhard, Heemstra, Doak and Pyle.

The following were excused as per communication with the president of the Board or in writing: Schut, Vruwink, Slayter, Aylance, Lubbers and Johnston.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on January 29, 1953, were presented and circulated. It was noted that omitted was mention of the correspondence with Dr. Hinkamp of the Netherlands regarding possibility of his work in the New Testament Department. This had been agreed upon by common consent.

S-85. Mr. Feakes, the new Treasurer, was introduced to the members. Dr. Warnshuis reported that the books had been audited by Hoskins and Sells for the year ending December 31, 1952, and found to be in good order. He had transferred the books to Mr. Feakes on March 31, 1953. They are now kept in the Seminary office. He added that income during the first three months of 1953 had totalled \$20,664.00 and expenses had totalled \$20,790.00. It is the view of the Executive Committee (Directors) that every effort should be made to return to invested funds, the monies borrowed in recent years from unrestricted legacies to pay current expenses.

S-86. At this point (2:30 P.M.) the Faculty entered the meeting in a body and were welcomed by the Chair, Dr. James, speaking for them, expressed appreciation for the aid and encouragement they had received from the Board and commented on the rising tide of response from the Churches. He also commented on the work being done at the Seminary for improvement in the physical plant and the relationship between the Seminary and the Church.

Dr. Hoffman would receive an honorary degree at the

College Commencement in June, and that Dr. Van Wyk would represent the Faculty at the Synod.

S-87. Dr. MacLean presented the formal annual report of the Faculty.

S-88. Mr. Jones commented upon the fact that Dr. Beardslee was completing fifty years of ministry. Dr. Beardslee responded briefly. Later in the meeting, the Executive Committee requested to take some appropriate action to recognize this anniversary.

S-89. Dr. Broek closed this part of the meeting with prayer and the Faculty withdrew.

S-90. The Committee on Professorate presented its report. After full discussion in instance, the following actions were taken:

Voted approval of the recommendation that Dr. M. Stephen James be continued in the Chair of Practical Theology for the seminary year of 1953-1954, and that he be permitted to secure such teaching assistance as may be necessary in view of his also holding the office of President of the Seminary.

Voted to request the Committee on Professorate to study the matter of Sabbatical leave and to recommend a policy with respect thereto to the Executive Committee by September 1953.

Voted to lay on the table the Committee's recommendation that the Rev. A.F.J. Heinkenszand, Ph.D., of Heinkenszand, The Netherlands, be invited to a lectorship in New Testament for the academic year 1953-54. During the discussion the Rev. Vernon Kooy, Ph.D., of the Reformed Church in Lodi, was suggested as a possible candidate for the lectorship.

The meeting recessed at this point. The Chair called the meeting to order after dinner. The Rev. Vander Hill led in prayer.

S-91. Discussion of the Committee on Professorate's report was continued and the following actions taken:

Voted (by ballot, 19 to 7) that the Board of Superintendents write the Dr. Vernon Kooy on a tentative basis to teach in the New Testament Department beginning in September 1953.

Voted that a special committee, composed of Drs. James, MacLean, Rev. Messrs. and Wullschleger wait upon Dr. Kooy to discuss details of the course and to ask him to obtain a leave of absence from his Church, the Committee to report their visit to the Executive Committee at as early a date as possible.

Voted that the Chair send a communication to the Rev. Dr. Klijn informing him that the Board of Superintendents has not reached a final decision, and that, temporarily, arrangements have been made for a lecturer for September 1953, and that the matter is open.

Voted that the matter of the service of installation of Dr. James as President of the Seminary be referred to the Executive Committee.

Voted that the Executive Committee be authorized to confer with Dr. James regarding his continuing in the Chair of Practical Theology after his installation as President and that the Committee be requested to present their recommendations thereto at the next meeting of the Board.

Voted that the Committee on Professorate be instructed to survey the field for a successor to Dr. Hoffman (who retires in 1956) as professor of Church History, and to report their findings to the Board.

Voted that the special committee appointed to wait upon Mr. Hoo, likewise upon Dr. Beaslee to acquaint him with the action taken and to consult with him regarding his status as Professor Emeritus.

S-92. Mr. Heemstra, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations reported that the graduating students had been examined and that the preaching requirements met. At this point (8:00 P.M.), by vote, the Senior Class entered the meeting and James introduced each individual to the Board. Mr. Heemstra presented the Committee's recommendation that each be granted the Professorial Certificate and the Bachelor of Divinity Degree. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the certificates and degrees were granted (see list attached). Mr. Soeter led in prayer and the students left the meeting.

S-93. The report of the Committee on Students and Examinations was presented. In discussion, the report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

S-94. Mr. Craig, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds made a brief verbal report.

S-95. Dr. Warnshuis presented the report of the Special Committee on Capital Fund for the \$15,000.00 Capital Fund, as attached herewith. Upon motion, it was accepted and ordered filed. After discussion, the following actions were taken:

Voted that the Board of Superintendents place on record its present judgment that the location of the Seminary should remain where it is now.

Voted that the Special Committee be continued with such additional members as may be found desirable and with instructions to proceed as rapidly as possible in the development of plans, including the possibility of erection of a new building or buildings to include principally the necessary number of apartments for faculty residents for the necessary reconditioning of all the buildings of the Seminary.

Voted that the Special Committee be instructed to present their report if possible to the Directors in September and that copies of their report be circulated to all members of the Board of Superintendents in advance of that meeting in order that the Directors may have the benefit of such counsel and advice as members of the Board may be able to give.

Voted that members of the Board of Superintendents be requested to make inquiries among the churches of their respective Classes with a view to discovering the names and addresses of individuals to whom an appeal on behalf of these property needs of the Seminary may be sent in due time and that such names and addresses be sent to the President of the Seminary.

Voted that the President of the Board of Superintendents be instructed to present an overture to the approaching meeting of the General Synod requesting that the approval of the General Synod be granted for the continuation of the appeal for these capital funds as previously given by the General Synod of 1950.

A recess was taken at 5:40 P.M.. The meeting reconvened following the Baccalaureate Service.

S-96. Mr. Pool presented the report of the Committee on Promotion. Upon motion it was received and approved.

S-97. Mr. Bosch reported that in an elimination contest starting with some \$100,000.00, Mr. Guy Vander Jagt of Hope College had won the National Contest sponsored and funded by the Hearst interests. Upon motion, a letter of congratulation was sent to Mr. Vander Jagt.

the meeting adjourned at 11:50 P.M.. The Rev. Dr. Hinkamp gave the

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Soeter
Secretary pro tem

January 18, 1954.

The duly called annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Hunt Room of the Berkeley-Carteret Hotel, Asbury Park, New Jersey, on January 18 and 19, 1954.

President, Edwin T. Jones, called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M., and presided. J. Harold Johnston served as Secretary.

The following members of the Board were present: Reverends Harold J. Schut (Philadelphia), M. Paul Luther (Long Island South), Louis H. Chisman (Albany), Chester A. (Bergen), Thomas P. Haig (Raritan), James B. Mulder (New Brunswick), Theodore (Rhoff) (Westchester), J. Dean Dykstra (Ulster), Laverne J. Vander Hill (Long North), Herman E. Luben (Schoharie), Garrett C. Koorda (Orange), Franklin S. Deitz (Schoharie), Henry O. Hospers (Montgomery), Andrew Louw, Jr. (Saratoga), H. William (Passaic), Franklin J. Hinkamp (Poughkeepsie), H. Paul Morehouse (Rochester), Wm. (Hesselslaer), Vernon C. Nagel (Greene), Harry A. Olson (Monmouth), Gerrit (Heemstra) (Paramus), John Y. Broek (Newark), George C. Douma (Synod of Chicago), Willis (Vander Kooi) (Synod of Iowa), John J. Soeter (Alumni) and Rev. Daniel Y. Brink, (Vander Kooi), Percy G. Craig, L. Russell Peakes, Rev. Dr. Stephen James, J. Harold Johnston, Rev. Edwin T. Jones, Roger F. Murray, 2nd, Wm. D. Rylance, H. Albert Seiffert, George Sluyter and Rev. Dr. A. A. Wijnshuis. The Rev. Herbert C. Schmalzreidt was seated as a substitute for the Rev. Gerard C. Pool (Palisades).

Those excused were: The Rev. Messrs. Thomas Lamont (S. Bergen), John J. Gebhard, Jr. (Hudson), George I. Robertson (North Long Island), John A. Springer (New York), Henry A. (Hinkamp), Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, Dr. Gerrit T. Vander Lugt, Dr. Frederick Wezeman, Dr. (Hinkamp), Dr. J. Mulder and Messrs. Bosch, Crocker, Cruikshank and Holmes.

The devotional service was led by the Rev. Herman E. Luben of the Class of Schoharie.

The Chair introduced the new members of the Board who were attending their first meeting, including the Treasurer, Mr. L. Russell Peakes.

Report was made of the recent death of Mrs. Arthur H. Voerman, and the Son of the Rev. Dr. Lowell Ditzen. The Rev. Dr. Koorda led in prayer.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board of Superintendents held on May 1953 were approved as distributed in mimeographed form after correction of error in designation of Classis represented by one of the members.

S-98. Dr. James made his report as President of the Seminary. Upon motion, the report was received. After discussion, and upon motion in each case, the following motions were taken upon the report:

1. The references concerning the possibility of graduate courses in religious education at Rutgers University and supplementing the ministry to Protestant students on Rutgers campus were referred to the Committee on Professorate for study and report.

2. The Revs. Brink and Heemstra were appointed a special committee to draft an official letter to the Classes calling for an intensified effort in the support of the

Seminary, both for candidates for the ministry and for financial support.

3. The proposal that planning be undertaken for some observance or centennial of Hertzog Hall in 1956 was referred to the Special Committee on the 31st campaign.

4. The Secretary was instructed to express the Board's appreciation to Mr. Willard Van Wostrand for his many years of faithful service as a member of the Board especially as a member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

S-99. The Treasurer, Mr. L. Russell Feakes presented a detailed report of the Seminary's finances, including a balance sheet as at December 31, 1953, a statement of income and expense for the year ending December 31, 1953, and schedules of investments held, general fund reserves and endowment funds. The year was closed with an excess of \$5,983.13 of income over expenses due largely to the fact that only \$15,000 of the \$15,000 budget item for repairs and improvements had actually been expended by December 31st (The Building and Grounds Committee reported that uncompleted work previously contracted for and bills presented after the books had closed totalled \$5,532.66). The excess of income for the year reduced the accumulated deficit to \$13,639.77. Upon motion, the report was received and a vote of appreciation was extended to Mr. Feakes for the fine service he had given the Seminary since his election as Treasurer.

S-100. Upon motion, the recommendations in the Treasurer's report that part of the cash balance in the operating account and the contributions for the modernization program be temporarily invested in order to produce income were referred to the Executive Committee (Directors) with power.

S-101. The Treasurer presented the proposed budget for 1954 calling for expenditures of \$95,500. Discussion followed. Mr. Craig called attention to the fact that in the \$5,532.66 of repairs and improvements contracted for in 1953 but not paid by the close of that year were to be charged against the \$15,000 item in the 1954 budget, some of the necessary repairs could not be undertaken. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the repairs and improvements item in the 1954 budget be increased from \$15,000 to \$19,500, that the Board of Superintendents recommend to the Executive Committee (Directors) the adoption of a budget for 1954 totalling \$100,000, and that the Churches be called upon for contributions totalling \$54,500 in order to balance the budget.

S-102. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board recommend to the Executive Committee (Directors) that the cash salaries of the six professors be increased from \$4,800 to \$5,000, beginning on such date as the Committee may determine.

S-103. The Treasurer presented a financial report from Gladys J. Vosseler, Treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary of the Seminary, indicating receipts of \$7,589.47, and disbursement of \$6,336.67 during 1953. The balance on hand at December 31, 1953 was \$1,252.80 against which a loan of \$800.00 is outstanding.

Upon motion, the meeting recessed at 5:05 P.M. so that the Standing Committees could meet. The Rev. Mr. Willis J. Vander Kooi closed the meeting with prayer. It was announced that the Board members would meet by Synods at breakfast.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:30 P.M. by President Jones. The Rev. J. Dean Dykstra led the devotions.

S-104. Dr. A.L. Warnshuis presented the report of the Special Committee on the \$150,000 Modernization Fund. He stated that \$12,000 in cash had been received, \$5,000 of which had been contributed by the Consistory of the Collegiate Church in New York City. The Faculty of the Seminary had contributed \$1,700. in cash and pledges. Pledges

totalled about \$5,000. The desirability of memorial gifts was stressed. The cost of constructing the three apartment building is \$65,000. Dr. Warnshuis answered a number of questions. Upon motion in each case resolutions were adopted.

1. That the report be received.

2. That the Board express its sincere appreciation for the gift from the story of the Collegiate Church, representing as it does tangible evidence of a continuing interest in the vital mission of the Seminary.

3. That the appreciation of the Board be expressed to the Faculty for most generous gift and for its strong support of the program.

S-105. The Special Committee presented the following recommendations which, upon an instance, were approved without a dissenting vote:

1. That the Board of Superintendents hereby approves and ratifies the proposal to erect a building containing three garden apartments and a Seminary guest room to be located on the site of the residence now occupied by Professor Hoffman at #27 Seminary

2. That the Board hereby approves the tentative plans describing the above-mentioned building, and refers with full power to the Executive Committee with the advice of its Committee on Buildings and Grounds the approval of detailed building plans and specifications.

3. That the Board hereby instructs the Executive Committee to arrange for a personal conference with Professor Hoffman regarding the necessary provision for his temporary residence during the period of the construction of the new building.

4. That the Board hereby authorizes the Executive Committee, as Directors of the Corporation, with full power to make contracts for the demolition of the present residence at #27 Seminary Place and the erection of the new building as soon as 75% of the funds needed to cover the contract prices are in hand in cash and pledges payable within six months.

5. (A substitute motion was made with respect to the Committee's recommendation that the rehabilitation of the Van Wyk and Vander Kolk residences be authorized when 75% of the cost for such purposes was available. (See S-106 below)

6. That we make every effort to raise the \$150,000 in cash and pledges by May 1, 1954, and that the months of February and March be the period of the actual campaign.

7. That, for purposes of the campaign, the Synods set goals as follows:
Albany, \$40,000; New Jersey, \$75,000; New York, \$65,000.

8. That the Synod representatives set up a campaign committee for each Synod and each Synod committee be authorized to employ an agent where necessary to further the cause: Expenses for such agents to be paid out of funds of this campaign, subject to the approval of the Messrs. Warnshuis, James and Feakes.

9. That where an individual or group of individuals desire to give \$25,000 or more, he or they shall have the privilege of naming a section of the proposed building as a memorial.

10. That additional copies, with added questions and answers, of the advertising material be printed in sufficient quantity for distribution to members as requested by Churches.

matters discussed (See #5 above) was the wisdom of rehabilitating the residences now occupied by Professors Van Wyk and Van der Kolk as proposed in the "Modernization Program". It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board be instructed to investigate the cost, possibility and advisability of designing a campus of which the currently planned new unit would be a part and that the Board, on the basis of such report, reconsider the advisability of the repair of present buildings or the building of a new campus.

In the discussion following the report of the above committee, and before recommendations were voted upon, one member proposed a delay of five years in order to see what the future might hold for the Seminary and the Denomination. The proposal received no support.

Upon motion, the meeting recessed at 11:00 P.M.. The Rev. George C. Downes led in prayer.

The meeting reconvened at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 19, 1954, with President Jones in the chair. The Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp of the Classis of Poughkeepsie led the devotions.

S-107. The Rev. Mr. Luther, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, made the report for that Committee. He pointed out some of the inconsistencies in the Plan of Organization with respect to terms of those serving on the Board and also on the Executive Committee. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the President appoint a special committee to study and review the Plan of Organization for purposes of clarification and recommendations.

S-108. The Nominating Committee placed in nomination the name of the Rev. Edw. Jones for president of the Board, the Chairman stating that in the opinion of the committee, the transition period was not completed as yet and the reelection of Mr. Jones for a second year would not constitute a precedent. The chair called for further nominations. The Rev. Garret C. Roorda was nominated. Mr. Jones asked the Rev. John J. Soeter to take the chair. Upon motion the nominations were closed. The chair appointed the Revs. L.H. Chisman and H. Paul Morehouse as tellers. A written ballot was taken and the chair announced that Mr. Roorda had been elected. Upon motion, the election was made unanimous.

S-109. The Nominating Committee retired and, upon their return, placed the name of the Rev. Harold J. Schut in nomination as vice-President of the Board. There were no further nominations. Upon motion, Mr. Schut was elected.

S-110. The Committee placed the names in nomination of J. Harold Johnston for Secretary of the Board and L. Russell Feakes for Treasurer. There were no further nominations.

S-111. The Committee placed the following names in nomination as members-at-large of the Board of Superintendents:

Class of 1960 - Mr. Percy L. Craig

Upon motion, the above individuals were nominated for the indicated term.

S-112. The following were nominated for election by General Synod as members of

Executive Committee (Directors):

Mr. Percy G. Craig
Rev. Henry A. Vruwink

On motion, the nominations were approved.

S-113. The following were nominated as members of the committees of the Synod:

Students and Examinations-

Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, Chairman
Rev. Theodore Brinckerhoff
Mr. Arie Contant
Rev. George I. Robertson
Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. H.W. Pyle
Rev. John A. Springer

Professorate, Instruction & Curriculum-

Rev. Martin Paul Luther, Chairman
Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp
Rev. Garrett C. Hoorda
Rev. Laverne J. Vander Hill
Rev. Thomas Lamont
Mr. Roger F. Murray, 2nd

Library and Museum-

Rev. Thomas F. Haig, Chairman
Rev. John J. Gebhard, Jr.
Rev. Louis H. Chisman
Rev. Harry P. Morehouse
Rev. Harry A. Olson
Rev. A.L. Warnshuis
Rev. Chester Wing

Promotion-

Rev. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink
Mr. Stanley R. Crocker
Rev. J. Dean Dykstra
Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Mr. William E. Ryance
Rev. Andrew Mouw, Jr.

Nominations-

Rev. Henry A. Vruwink, Chairman
Rev. John Y. Broek
Rev. Franklin S. Deitz
Rev. Henry O. Hospers
Rev. Harold J. Schut
Mr. H. Albert Seiffert
Mr. George J. Sluyter

There were no additional nominations. On motion, the above were duly appointed.

S-114. The Committee reported that the following judicatories should be advised that they are privileged to nominate representatives for board membership to the General Synod this year:

Classis of South Bergen
Classis of Orange
Classis of Ulster
Classis of Schenectady

S-115. The report of the Women's Auxiliary to the Seminary, as attached herewith, was presented. Upon motion, the Secretary was requested to send a letter of appreciation to the President of the Auxiliary for the substantial and skilled assistance that organization had given to the Seminary.

S-116. Mr. Percy G. Craig reported for the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Upon motion, the report was received. The recommendation of the Committee that a reserve be set up to take care of recurrent items was referred, upon motion, to the Executive Committee for further study and report. A resolution of appreciation for the fine work of the Committee was adopted.

S-117. In the absence of the Rev. Gerard C. Pool, Mr. Brink reported for Committee on Promotion. Upon motion, the report was received and the following recommendations were adopted:

1. That promotional materials be authorized for 1954.
2. That more use be made of Seminary Professors and Students as speakers in various Church or Classis meetings. They are willing and able to win a place for Seminary in the heart of the people.
3. That the Committee be instructed to confer with the Committee on Promotion with the view to establish Seminary Sunday in the early part of the year. If this proves to be impossible, it was the opinion of the Committee that Reformation the end of October would be better than the first Sunday in November. Stress upon Theological education, a trained ministry, an informed Church, aware of its Evangelical faith, can be quite logically linked to the preservation of the heritage of the Reformation. It would also relate any enthusiasm aroused by the Reformation to a practical outlet for generosity.
4. It was recommended to the Committee, upon motion, that (1) it call the attention of the Classes to the desirability of making quarterly payments to the Seminary and that (2) it apportion the \$54,500 Church support budget requirement for 1954 to the Classes on a "fair share" basis and that it suggest methods to the Classes for determining the "fair share" of individual Churches.

S-118. The Rev. Gerrit Heemstra gave the report of the Committee on Students Examinations. Upon motion, the report was received and each of the following recommendations were adopted:

1. That all college and university students from our churches planning to go into the ministry, register with the Classis and Seminary so that they may be able to continue their studies and not be called into the Armed Forces. This is recommended not as a means of dodging the draft, but as an opportunity to prepare men in the field that needs them so badly.
2. That the Seminary request that Classical Committees be appointed to counsel and keep in touch with young men in colleges and universities who may be interested in the ministry, and in guiding the students in the right direction.
3. That the Superintendents be assigned students for whom they may act as counsellors during the year, and that the Superintendents contact the students and churches served.
4. That the forms being prepared for closer supervision between church and student be printed or mimeographed, as soon as possible, and sent to the churches served by students.
5. That letters be sent to our colleges, asking for the names of young men interested in the ministry, so that information about our Seminary and literature on the ministry may be sent to them.

S-11. In the absence of the Chairman, the Rev. Garrett C. Noorda reported verbally for the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum. The Rev. Herman Luben presented the recommendations of the Committee. These were discussed, modified, and adopted, upon motion, as follows:

1. In order to provide Dr. Vernon Kooy with the fullest opportunity to prove himself in the Chair of New Testament, we recommend (a) that his appointment as lecturer

d through the Academic Year 1954-55; (b) that the Committee enter into fullest relations with Dr. Kooy, the Faculty and the student body, upon the basis of which a complete report be made to the Board in May; and (c) that Dr. Kooy's salary be referred to the Executive Committee (Directors) for any necessary adjustment.

2. After consultation with Dr. James, the Committee recommends that the Department of Practical Theology and Preaching be continued on the present basis for another year, inviting lecturers being invited to assist Dr. James.

3. This Committee feels that our successors should have clarification as to the Board as to whether this committee is to see a successor to Dr. James in this discussion which followed, reference was made to the previous actions of the Board and Executive Committee declaring that the presidency was a full time office at this period in the Seminary's history. Dr. James expressed the view that the present arrangement, while considered temporary, was not in any way impairing the instruction of students, as courses had been reduced or eliminated. The problem of an additional salary and housing for another faculty member could not be ignored. Several members of the Board pointed out that there were advantages in bringing in lecturers currently Dr. Hageman, Dr. Mildram and the Rev. Robert Dickson) and that the pattern might be a good one to adopt as a permanent policy. Upon motion, the subject was referred back to the Committee for study and, in consultation with Dr. James, for recommendation to the Board.

That the Committee be authorized to interview candidates for the Chair of Church History so that upon the retirement of Dr. Hoffman in the Spring of 1956 a nomination will be in readiness. (In the discussion, it was agreed that the Committee should proceed with diligence and, upon motion, the Committee was requested to make the nomination to the Board not later than at the January 1955 meeting).

That the recommendations in Dr. James' report pertaining to graduate courses in religious education at Rutgers and a "Seminary ministry" to Rutgers' undergraduates be referred to the incoming Committee on Professorate.

S-120. The Rev. Dr. Thomas F. Maig, Chairman of the Committee on Museum and Library, presented the report of Mrs. Margaret Wilson, the Librarian. Upon motion, the report was received and the Secretary was instructed to express the Board's appreciation to Mrs. Wilson for her faithful and most capable services.

S-121. The Rev. L. H. Chisman, representative of the Classis of Albany, stated that he had been instructed to express the disapproval of his Classis of the practice of students at the Seminary in negotiating for the Promise of Calls from the Classis during the final term of their senior year. Upon motion, after discussion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Students for report at the May meeting of the Board.

At this point, Mr. Jones presented the gavel to Mr. Koorda, and both men spoke briefly.

S-122. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board record its deep appreciation to Mr. Jones as its presiding officer during the past year.

S-123. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board record its great affection with the way Dr. James had administered the office of President during the past year, and that the Board pledge him its support in the year ahead.

The Rev. Mr. Jones closed the meeting with prayer at 12:40 P.M., Tuesday, January 19, 1954, and pronounced the Benediction.

May 19, 1954.

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary met at Gardner Sage Library on the Seminary campus on Wednesday, May 19, 1954. The President, Rev. Garrett C. Roorda, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M., and presided. The Vice-president of the Board, the Rev. Harold J. Schut, opened the meeting with prayer. The Rev. Louis H. Chisman served as Secretary.

The following members were present: Revs. Chester L. Wing (Bergen), John Y. Broek (Newark), James B. Mulder (New Brunswick), Gerrit Heemstra (Paramus), Harold H. Schut (Philadelphia), Thomas P. Haig (Raritan), Gerard C. Pool (Palisades), John Gebhard, Jr. (Hudson), Roger B. Juckett (North Long Island), Martin Paul Luther (South Long Island), Garrett C. Roorda (Orange), Franklin J. Hinkamp (Poughkeepsie), Theodore Brinkerhoff (Westchester), J. Dean Dykstra (Ulster), Louis H. Chisman (New York), Harry P. Morehouse (Rochester), Andrew Mouw (Saratoga), Franklin S. Deitz (Schenectady), Herman Luben (Schoharie), Daniel Y. Brink, Edwin T. Jones, A. L. Warnshuis, M. Stephen James and John J. Soeter, Messrs. Randall C. Bosch, Percy G. Craig, L. Russell Feakes, Roger F. Murrar, 2nd, William E. Rylance, H. Albert Seiffert.

Those excused were: Revs. Thomas Lamont (S. Bergen), Harry A. Olson (Monmouth), F. W. Pyle (Passaic), John A. Springer (New York), Vernon O. Nagel (Greene), Henry C. Fospers (Montgomery), William G. Maat (Rensselaer), Laverne J. Vander Hill, Henry A. Vruwink, George C. Douma, Willis J. Vander Kooi, Frederick Wezeman, R. J. Mulder, Gerrit T. Vander Lugt and Irwin J. Lubbers, Messrs. Arie Contant, Stanley R. Crocker, Russell V. Cruikshank, John P. Holmes, J. Harold Johnston, George Sluyter and A. A. Buzzi.

The minutes of the January 18 meeting were approved.

S-124. Mr. L. Russell Feakes, the Treasurer, presented his report. The report of the Treasurer was received with the appreciation of the Board.

S-125. The Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations presented the report of the Committee. It was moved by the Rev. Edwin T. Jones and seconded by the Rev. Franklin S. Deitz that the report be accepted. The report was approved. The following recommendations were considered seriatim:

1. We recommend that General Synod be requested to ammend the Constitution to eliminate the requirement for the Classical examination in Hebrew.

Action - Referred back to the Committee for further study.

2. We recommend that there be more classes in English Bible and Pastoral Counseling.

Action - Referred to Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum.

3. We recommend that the course in Contemporary Theology be taught annually instead of bi-annually.

Action - Referred to Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum.

4. We recommend that the Board members act as counselors to students serving in churches near them and as assigned by the Committee and Seminary.

Action - Approved.

5. Your Committee has studied sermons and read theses and examined the members of the Senior Class and compliments the students and faculty upon the good training indicated in the written materials read and in the examination.

Respectfully submitted,
 Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, Chr.
 Rev. James B. Mulder
 Rev. Theodore Brinckerhoff
 Rev. Roger B. Juckett

S-126. Following this report the graduates were presented by the President of the Seminary, Dr. M. Stephen James, and were received in behalf of the Board by the Rev. Garrett C. Roorda, President of the Board of Superintendents.

S-127. Dr. A. L. Warnshuis reported for the Building Improvement Committee. Since the three Classes had not reported he could not give a conclusive report. However, he gave reports of each Classis by Particular Synods. A copy of the report is attached. Dr. Warnshuis charged each Superintendent with the need for stressing and presenting to each church the needs of the operating budget of the Seminary. He then moved that each Superintendent be instructed to ask each church to place in its operating budget an item for the operating budget of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. It was moved by the Rev. Gerard C. Pool, and seconded by the Rev. James B. Mulder, that Dr. Warnshuis' report be received with appreciation and the recommendation be adopted. The motion was approved. Dr. Haig, Dr. Broek, the Rev. Mr. Luther spoke to the report.

The following resolutions were approved:

1. Each member of the Board be asked during the remainder of this year to make appeal for operating budget to every church and that each church be asked to include in its operating budget an item for the operating budget of the Seminary.
2. Each member of the Board was asked to follow up pledges already made to the Building Fund and to work for full payment of their pledges.
3. Each member of the Board was asked to study situation in each Classis and in consultation with ministers and Consistories to ascertain what best can be done to bring the Building Fund to completion in special cases.

S-128. The Rev. Gerard C. Pool reported for the Committee on Promotion.

S-129. The Faculty was presented by Dr. James. Dr. Hugh Baillie MacLean, Dean of the Seminary reported for the Faculty, a copy of which is attached. The report was approved and received. The President of the Board, the Rev. Garrett C. Roorda, expressed the Board's appreciation to the Faculty.

Dr. MacLean presented his plans for his Sabbatical leave and trip to England, Scotland and the European continent. A motion extending to Dr. MacLean the best wishes of the Board was moved, seconded and approved.

Dr. Milton J. Hoffman spoke briefly of the work of the Seminary. He expressed his joy over the fact that for the first time in many years the Seminary was finding a place in the hearts of the people of the Church.

Dr. Haig reminded the Board that this fact was due mainly to the efforts of Dr. Hoffman many years ago during the dark days of the financial depression in America.

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Dr. Vernon Kooy expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve on the Seminary Faculty.

S-130. Following the reception of the Faculty the Board heard the report of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum by the Chairman, the Rev. Martin Paul Luther. The report was received and approved.

The meeting adjourned at 4:49 P.M. with prayer by the President of the Seminary, the Rev. Garrett C. Roorda.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis H. Chisman
Secretary pro tem.

January 24 and 25, 1955.

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Seminary was held in the Hotel Berkeley Carteret, Asbury Park, New Jersey, on May 19, 1954. President Roorda called the meeting to order at 2:45 P.M. The Chair stated that the Rev. Harold J. Schut was in charge of devotions. Mr. Schut introduced the Rev. W. J. Vander Kooi, who led the devotions for this session.

There were present: Messrs. Arie Contant, P. G. Craig, S. R. Crocker, H. A. Seiffert, L. R. Feakes, Roger F. Murray, 2nd, J. Harold Johnston, W. A. Rylance, Revs. Martin Paul Luther, Henry A. Vruwink, Henry O. Hospers, John J. Soeter, D. J. Brink, John Y. Broek, James B. Mulder, John Adams Springer, H. Paul Morehouse, Andrieus Mouw, Jr., Arvin W. Roos, George C. Douma, Laverne J. Vander Hill, Edwin Thomas Jones, Franklin J. Hinkamp, Louis H. Chisman, Gordon P. Alexander, Irving H. Decker, Vernon O. Nagel, Roger F. Juckett, Bernard J. Mulder, Gerrit Heemstra, G. C. Pool, H. Wm. Pyle, Harold J. Schut, Chester A. Wing, W. J. Vander Kooi, A. L. Warnshuis and Garrett C. Roorda.

The Chair welcomed the members and introduced the Rev. Arvin W. Roos from the Classis of Schenectady and Gordon P. Alexander, Classis of Schoharie, who were attending their first meeting.

S-131. Upon motion, the Rev. Irving H. Decker was seated in the place of the Rev. Theodore Brinckerhoff as representing the Classis of Westchester.

S-132. The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board of Superintendents on May 19, 1954, were approved, upon motion, as distributed in mimeographed form.

S-133. The report of the President of the Seminary, as attached herewith, by Dr. James and, upon motion, ordered received and filed.

S-134. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that Article II, Section 1 of the Plan of Organization be amended so that the phrase "from each of the Particular Synods of Chicago and Iowa" will read "from all Particular Synods other than those of New Jersey, New York and Albany".

S-135. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the President appoint a special committee of not to exceed five members to prepare an appropriate recognition in 1956 of the Centenary of the building of the Seminary at Poughkeepsie Hall, and that such committee report its recommendations to the Board at its May (1955) meeting.

S-136. Mr. L. Russell Feakes presented the Treasurer's report for the year ending December 31, 1954, including the balance sheet, income and expense statement, list of endowment funds, schedule of investments, and general and special fund statements attached hereto. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Treasurer's report be received, approved and placed on file.

S-137. The Treasurer presented the proposed budgets as attached to filed copy of this report and as recommended by the Executive Committee (Directors). After discussion, and on unanimous motion, in each case, the following actions were taken:

1. The fiscal year was changed to July 1 - June 30.
2. The recommended operating budget of \$45,591 (including \$5,000 for repairs and improvements) for January 1-June 30, 1955, was approved.
3. The recommended operating budget for July 1, 1955-June 30, 1956, was approved, subject to review at a later date.

S-138. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Finance Committee be authorized to prepare and submit to the Stewardship Council an asking budget for the Seminary for the year 1956.

S-139. Following discussion about the possibility of the Faculty being included under Social Security, it was agreed that if the Faculty so elected, the Seminary would increase its share of the annuity fund payments from the current 8% to 11%. The need for increasing the annuity base (D-197) was likewise discussed. Upon motion, unanimously carried, the Finance Committee was authorized to make such changes in the asking budget to general synod as were necessary to accomplish these matters.

It was moved, and carried, at this point that the meeting recess at 5:30 P.M..

S-140. Dr. Warnshuis, Chairman of the Improvement Fund Committee, presented his report as attached hereto. After discussion, and upon motion in each instance, his recommendations were unanimously adopted as follows:

1. That every possible effort be made to collect the pledges of churches and individuals.
2. That special attention be given to the possibilities of presenting the appeal for this Fund to those churches that have not yet made any or only token gifts to this Fund.
3. That efforts be continued to discover individuals who would make special gifts of fairly large amounts, consideration being given to memorials and to designated objectives.
4. That the general appeal to the churches for gifts to this special fund, with the exceptions noted above, be considered as completed.
5. That \$10,000 on account of this Fund be added in the operating budget for January 1 to June 30, 1955, and that preliminary approval be given to include \$20,000 in the budget for 1955-56, and \$20,000 in the budget for 1956-57, thus presenting the total financial needs of the Seminary in one appeal to the churches each year.
6. That the Committee on Promotion be responsible for the continued presentation of the appeal for these material needs of the Seminary.

A recess was taken at 5:30 P.M..

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The Board reconvened at 8:15 P.M.. The Rev. Mr. Roorda was in the Chair. The Rev. Harold J. Schut, vice-president of the Board, led in the devotions.

S-141. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board ask the Institutions Committee of the Board of Education to publish an article in Our Father's Business outlining the financial needs of the educational institutions.

S-142. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that

1. The Board of Education be requested to stress the importance of designating gifts to the respective institutions, and that
2. Members of the Board of Superintendents be requested to urge their respective Classes and Churches to designate the Seminary for gifts.

S-143. The Rev. Mr. Heemstra presented the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations as attached hereto. Upon motion, the report was received and the recommendations were considered seriatim. After discussion, and upon separate motion in each instance, the following four recommendations were unanimously adopted:

1. Your committee feels that there is a need for a larger sense of social and professional ethics and business etiquette; students have expressed a desire for more instruction in church business administration, such as budgets, the every-member canvass, etc.. We recommend these two suggestions for consideration by the Faculty and the Committee on Professorate and Curriculum.
2. In view of the fact that the study of Hebrew as a required subject was referred to our committee last May, and has been discussed at different General Synod Meetings, your committee recommends that Western Seminary be invited to appoint a joint committee with our Seminary to study this question.
3. Your committee recommends for study the Bulletin issued in September 1954 by the Special Committee appointed by the American Association of Theological Seminaries under a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation, to study Theological Education in America with Dr. H. Richard Niebuhr of Yale Divinity School as Director to evaluate our Seminary. (Dr. Mulder will send copies to the members of the Board.)
4. Your committee recommends that our Board compliment our President and Faculty on the good work that is being done and that we express our gratitude for the fine and devoted leadership in our Seminary.

S-144. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary overture the General Synod of 1955 to revise the R. C. A. Constitution to provide that Seminary students at the end of the year may receive a certificate of licensure to preach.

S-145. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary overture General Synod to appoint a joint committee, one of the members to represent both Seminary Faculties (Western and New Brunswick) to make a study of the matter of the study of Hebrew as a required subject, in both of our Seminaries, and present recommendations to the Synod of

S-146. The Rev. Gerard J. Pool, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion, presented report which, upon motion, was received as attached herewith. The following recommendations were adopted, upon motion, in each instance.

1. That continued stress be placed on the goal of \$1.00 per member per year for the Operating Budget, this amount to be budgeted by the churches and disbursed quarterly.
2. That a tour of the Eastern Synods be made by the President of the Seminary and one or two others familiar with the needs, to set forth budget requirements.
3. That a strong appeal for financial support be made this Spring to supplement, not supplant, the emphasis on Seminary Sunday in the Fall.
4. That invitations to Commencement be sent not only to graduates and ministers but also to a selected list of potential individual givers.
5. That cultivation of the Seminary Alumni as a group be undertaken from which the Seminary might derive substantial support. Other Seminaries have found that their Alumni, being specially related to the institutions through their training, have been very responsive.
6. That promotion materials similar to those used in 1954 be prepared and be made available for distribution in 1955.
7. That the possibility be explored of publishing a new type of literature for mailing quarterly to the ministers and a selected list of others.
8. That General Synod be requested to designate October 30, 1955 as Seminary Sunday.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.. Mr. Schut led in

The Board reconvened at 9:1 A.M. on Tuesday, January 3, 1955. The Rev. Mr. Roorda was in the Chair. The Rev. Mr. Paul Morehouse led the devotions.

S-147. Mr. Feakes presented a report from the Treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary indicating that during the year the Auxiliary had received contributions totaling \$11. All loans have been repaid, and the cash balance on hand December 31, 1954 was \$48.51. The report of Mrs. M. Stephen James, Chairman of the Auxiliary was read by Mr. Schut. Upon motion, the reports were received and a vote of deep appreciation was given to the Ladies.

S-148. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the suggestions that be given the Auxiliary to incorporate and that the Auxiliary have official representation upon the Board of Superintendents be referred to the Executive Committee (Directors) for study and report.

S-149. Mr. Feakes, Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that Committee had met and presented the following recommendations:

1. That there be no change in the basic salary of professors for the January 1-June 30, 1955 budget period.

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2. That the Seminary assume 3% of the annuity premium now paid by the professors, thereby increasing the Seminary's share from 8% to 11%.
3. That the Seminary join the Social Security System.
4. That the budget be increased to give effect to the above.
5. That the asking budget for 1956 to the Stewardship Council for the 12 month period ending June 30, 1956 be \$90,000 in Church contributions, (To the \$99,217 of expense on the mimeographed report add \$5,000 for instruction, \$1,900 to annuities, \$1,000 to promotion, \$20,000 for modernization and working capital of \$12,888, making a total of \$140,000. Total estimated income from other than Churches is \$50,000, leaving \$90,000 to be secured from Churches.)

Upon motion, these recommendations were unanimously approved.

S-150. Mr. Schut presented the report from Mrs. Margaret Wilson, the Librarian. Upon motion, the report was received and approved.

S-151. Mr. Luther, Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, read a letter from Dr. Hugh B. MacLean, expressing appreciation for the leave of absence he had enjoyed.

S-152. The Committee recommended that the Board of Superintendents recommend to General Synod that Dr. Vernon Kooy be appointed Professor of New Testament Greek. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board so recommend. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that Dr. Kooy be granted the salary of a full professor beginning January 1, 1955.

Mr. Soeter reported for the Alumni Association that plans were under way for Commencement.

S-153. Mr. Vruwink presented the report of the Nominating Committee. After the usual motions, the following were declared duly and unanimously elected as officers of the Board of Superintendents:

President: Harold J. Schut
 Vice-president: John J. Soeter
 Treasurer: L. Russell Feakes (term expires 1956)
 Secretary: J. Harold Johnston (term expires 1958)

Members at Large:

James F. Hill, Sacandaga Rd., R. F. D. 2, Scotia, ~~at 11~~
 (in place of George Sluyter)
 Rev. Norman Thomas
 (in place of Rev. D. Brink)
 Rev. Donner Atwood
 (in place of Mr. John P. Holmes)

Executive Committee:

Rev. Chester A. Wing
 (in place of Rev. D. Brink)
 Mr. L. Russell Feakes

The Committees were duly elected as follows:

I. Committee on Students and Examinations
 Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, Chairman
 Rev. Abram Pepling

Committee on Students and Examinations cont'd.

Rev. James B. Mulder
Rev. H. William Pyle
Rev. John . Springer
Rev. Roger B. Juckett
Mr. Arie Contant

II. Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum

Rev. Martin Paul Luther, Chairman
Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp
Rev. Edwin T. Jones
Rev. Garret C. Roorda
Rev. Laverne J. Vander Hill
Rev. Norman Thomas
Mr. Roger F. Murray, 2nd

III. Committee on Museum and Library

Rev. Chester A. Wang, Chairman
Rev. Donner Atwood
Rev. John J. Gebhard, Jr.
Rev. Louis H. Chisman
Rev. Gordon P. Alexander
Rev. Harry P. Morehouse
Dr. A. L. Warnshuis

IV. Committee on Promotion

Rev. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman
Rev. Irving Decker
Rev. J. Dean Dykstra
Rev. Andrew Mouw, Jr.
Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Mr. Stanley R. Crocker
Mr. William E. Rylance

V. Committee on Nominations

Rev. Henry A. Vruwink, Chairman
Rev. Arvin W. Roos
Rev. William C. Maat
Rev. Henry O. Hospers
Rev. Harold J. Schut
Mr. H. Albert Seiffert
Mr. James F. Hill

3-154. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary be requested to send a letter to the Classis of Rensselaer expressing regret that the Classis had not represented at the meeting.

3-155. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary be requested to send the respective Clerks of Classes and Particular Synods the terms of whose representatives on the Board were expiring that nominations should be made to General Synod.

3-156. Dr. James reported on the Improvement Fund. He pointed out that as the \$150,000 had not been secured, some change in plans seemed necessary. As Dr. James does not retire until the Fall of 1956, ground for the proposed new building will not be broken until the Spring of that year. It was his expectation that the Executive Committee (Directors) would make a full report on the subject at the May meeting.

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S-157. Mr. Craig, Chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee, made an informal report. Upon motion, a vote of commendation was extended to the Committee.

S-158. Upon motion, a vote of appreciation was extended to all retiring members of the Board.

S-159. Upon motion, a rising tribute was given to Dr. Jasper S. Hogan, long time secretary of the Board, who died on July 9, 1954. Dr. Broek led in prayer. The Secretary was requested to write a letter to Mrs. Hogan expressing the feeling of the Board.

S-160. Upon motion, the greetings of the Board were voted to Dr. William H. Demarest and Dr. John W. Beardslee, Jr.

S-161. Upon motion, a vote of appreciation was extended to Mr. Roorda for the excellent service he had rendered to the Board and Seminary.

Mr. Roorda turned the gavel over to Mr. Schut, who spoke briefly.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 12:05 P.M.. Mr. Roorda closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Johnson
Harold Johnson, Secretary

May 25, 1955.

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Seminary Library on Wednesday, May 25, 1955. The meeting was called to order by the President, the Rev. Harold J. Schut, at 2:30 P.M., with opening prayer by the Rev. J. J. Soeter.

The following members were in attendance: Revs. C. A. Wing, A. Pepling, J. Y. Broek, J. P. Mulder, G. C. Pool, G. Heemstra, H. W. Pyle, H. J. Schut, T. P. Haig, J. J. Gebhard, Jr., J. A. Springer, G. C. Roorda, T. Brinckerhoff, L. H. Chisman, H. P. Morehouse, A. Mouw, D. Y. Brink, L. J. Vander Hill, J. J. Soeter, Drs. M. S. James, A. L. Warnshuis, Messrs. A. Contant, P. G. Craig, L. R. Feakes and R. Murray.

S-162. It was voted to approve the Minutes of the January Meetings, 24th and 25th, with the amendment that Mr. Decker be recorded as a Corresponding Member. (He had not replaced Mr. Brinckerhoff.)

S-163. Mr. L. R. Feakes submitted his report as Treasurer, printed copies being circulated to the Board. It was voted that the Budget as presented for 7-1-55 through 6-30-56 be approved, with the item for Repairs and Improvements increased by the amount of the unexpended balance for that purpose in the current budget. (This involves an expectation from the Churches of gifts in the amount of \$55,780.00.)

S-164. It was voted to receive the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations, as submitted by Mr. Heemstra, Chairman. It was voted that the following recommendations of the Committee be adopted:

- (1) That the Committee on Professorate be requested to study these suggestions:
 - that more courses on Counseling be offered
 - that more lectures be given on such subjects as Delinquency, City Church Problems, etc.
 - that there be engaged a Professor of Practical Theology and Homilectics.

Committee on Professorate - cont'd.

- (1) -that the President of the Seminary be relieved of burdensome duties by appointment of a "Promotional Vice-President".
- (2) That the following be granted the Professorial Certificate:

Roy P. Adelberg
 Donald Arthur Boulton
 Kenneth Merwin Cordes
 John De Vries
 Robert Francis Dorer
 Bruce G. Freeman
 John E. Hiemstra
 William Howard Jewett
 Lynn Joosten
 David William Jurgens
 Warren G. Martens
 Frederick Mold, Jr.
 Russell F. Pater
 Joseph L. Perry, Jr.
 Henry Lewis Reinewald
 Michael Romano

Isaac C. Rottenberg
 Robert Carl Smith
 Frederick D. Summers
 Sylvester Van Oort
 David Charles Van Sickle
 Kenneth D. Vos

- (3) That the following be granted the B. D. Degree:

Roy P. Adelberg
 Donald Arthur Boulton
 Kenneth Merwin Cordes
 John De Vries
 Robert Francis Dorer
 Bruce G. Freeman
 John E. Hiemstra
 Harold A. Jenkins
 William Howard Jewett
 Lynn Joosten
 David William Jurgens
 Warren G. Martens
 Frederick Mold, Jr.
 Russell F. Pater
 Joseph L. Perry, Jr.
 Henry Lewis Reinewald
 Michael Romano
 Isaac C. Rottenberg
 Robert Carl Smith
 David Charles Van Sickle
 Kenneth D. Vos

The members of the Senior Class were welcomed into the meeting by President Schut, and were individually introduced by Dr. James, who added appropriate words as to the background and future plans of each of the students. This was a very impressive group, the largest in the history of the Seminary. Following words of congratulation and good wishes by President Schut, the Students were excused.

S-165. The Seminary Faculty next appeared, and through their Secretary, Dr. Hugh B. MacLean, submitted the report (the report was circulated and a copy is on file). It was voted to receive the report with thanks.

Mr. Schut voiced the appreciation of the Board to the Faculty for their good work this academic year.

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The Seminary President, Dr. James, mentioned the happy association of Dr. Kooy with the Faculty and the Students, and the satisfaction that is felt in the nomination of Dr. Kooy to General Synod for membership in the New Brunswick Seminary Faculty. Dr. Kooy in turn responded with his own word of appreciation for pleasant association he has had in the service of the Seminary.

S-166. Mr. Soeter reported for the Special Committee on Building and Rehabilitation, recounting the actions taken at the Directors' Meeting. (See Minutes of Directors' Meeting).

S-167. It was voted that the Rev. E. T. Jones be asked to act as Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, in consultation with Mr. Luther, who is ill.

S-168. Mr. Pool reported verbally on Promotion. In general discussion was expressed a need for more publicity. Dr. Warnshuis mentioned the recent publication of a volume entitled, "Foundations and Perspective", setting forth the basic doctrine of the Dutch Church in modern language. This could be calculated to reflect favorably upon the Seminary, inasmuch as the publication was financed by the Laidlie Fund. From notice should be given of such achievements. Mr. Brinckerhoff suggested that a mailing list should be built up, including names of Consistorymen. Dr. James has arranged for some excellent new photographs for use in future publicity.

S-169. It was voted that the Board send to the Rev. M. Paul Luther condolences upon the death of his Wife, and also the assurance of the prayers and good wishes of the Board for a speedy recovery from his illness. (This has been sent.)

S-170. It was voted that President James extend to the Corwin family the sympathy of the Board in the passing of their Son.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned with closing prayer by President Harold J.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerard C. Pool
Secretary pro tem.

January 16, 1956

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held in the Hotel Berkeley Carteret, Asbury Park, N.J., on Monday afternoon, January 16, 1956. President of the Board, the Rev. Harold J. Schut called the meeting to order at 2:40 P.M. and led in a brief devotional service. Mr. Johnston acted as secretary of the meeting.

There were present:

Drs. M.S. James, A.L. Warnshuis, P.J. Mulder, Ernest R. Palen, Revs. John J. Soeter, Edwin Thomas Jones, Chester A. Wing, James M. Mulder, Norman Edwin Thomas, Garrett C. Roorda, Louis H. Chisman, Martin Paul Luther, Chester A. Moore, Vernon O. Ralph Cordes, Arvin W. Roos, James Pffingstel, Gordon P. Alexander, Irving H. Decker, Raymond C. Lubbers, H. William Pyle, Benjamin J. Hoffman, George C. Douma, Donner B. Atwood, Roger B. Juckett, Gerrit Heemstra, Gerard C. Pool, Franklin J. Vinkamp, Henry H. Hospers, Harold J. Schut, Runyon L. Wolff, Messrs. P.G. Graff, Arie Contant, M. Seiffert, S.R. Crocker, James F. Hill, L. R. Feakes, Roger P. Murrar and J. Harold Johnston.

Those who were unable to attend were Mrs. J. T. Lubbers,

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Under Lugt, H.A. Vruwink, Rev. John G. Gebhard, Messrs. Randall Bosch and A.A. The Rev. Laverne J. Vander Hill anticipated arriving later in the afternoon.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on May 25, 1955 were, upon motion approved in mimeographed form.

S-171. Mr. Schut introduced the following, all in the Class of 1961, who were with the Board for the first time: Rev. C.A. Moore (Rensselaer), Rev. P.J. (Chester), Rev. Dr. R.R. Pale (New York), Rev. F.H. Decker (Westchester), Rev. James (Iowa) and Rev. A. C. Lubbers (Chicago). The Rev. George Douma who represented the Particular Synod of Chicago now represented the Particular Synod of New York.

S-172. The Rev. James Pfingstel had been nominated by the Classis of Newark to succeed the Rev. Forrest L. Decker, Class of 1961, and Rev. Runyon Wolff, had been nominated by the Classis of Saratoga to succeed the Rev. Andrew Mouw, Jr., Class of 1958, in turn, had been nominated to succeed the late Clarence Howard. Upon motion, these were recognized as members of the Board until the next meeting of General Synod.

S-173. Although the Board had nominated to General Synod the Rev. Donner B. Rev. Norman E. Thomas and Mr. James F. Hill as delegates at large in the Class of 1961, and although General Synod accepted the report, it does not appear that General Synod elected these nominees. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that these men be recognized by this Board as full members hereof.

S-174. The Board had nominated the Rev. Chester A. Wing and Mr. L. Russell as members of the Executive Committee, (Directors) but General Synod had not acted on the nominations. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that these gentlemen be elected to the Executive Committee (Directors) in the Class of 1961.

S-175. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Nominating Committee be instructed to renominate the above members at large and Executive Committee (Directors) at the next meeting of General Synod for election.

S-176. In the absence of the Rev. Henry A. Vruwink, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, the President asked the Rev. Henry O. Hospers to convene the Nominating Committee. The Rev. Runyon Wolff was appointed to the Committee on Promotion to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Mouw.

S-177. Dr. James made his report as President of the Seminary, as attached to the minutes.* Applause followed its reading. Upon motion, the report was received and a vote of appreciation was extended to Dr. James for his leadership.

S-178. After discussion, and upon motion in each instance, action was taken on the "matters for consideration" in the President's report as follows:

- A. Recognition of the retirement of Dr. Milton J. Hoffman at the close of the current academic year. That the Committee on Professorate be requested to add to its functions the preparation for retirement of professors, and initiate such recognition as may be deemed appropriate.
- B. Consideration of the observance of the 175th Anniversary of the founding of the Seminary. That a committee of this Board be appointed to plan for the observance and that an overture be made to General Synod, asking that General Synod join with the Seminary in making arrangements for the observance.

* Request the Library Committee, with the Faculty Committee on Library, to study and survey the needs for more book space in Sage Library and to make recommendations to the Board. Approved.

Upon motion, the above was referred to the Anniversary Observance Committee and a vote of appreciation was extended the Synod of Albany for their thoughtfulness and interest in the matter.

S-180. Mr. L. R. Feakes, Treasurer, presented his report dated January 12, covering the six months ending June 30, 1955 and the six months ending December 31, with six supporting exhibits and a balance sheet, all as attached to these minutes. Upon motion, the report was received. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that (1) the report of the treasurer for the period ending June 30, be approved, subject to audit and that (2) the interim report for the period ending December 31, 1955 be accepted. Several members expressed their appreciation to Mr. Feakes for the clarity and completeness of the reports.

S-181. Dr. Warnshuis reported that Rutgers University had a number of endowed scholarships for individuals desiring to prepare themselves for the Ministry of the Reformed Church of America, and other scholarships for "pious and indigent" persons desiring to enter the Christian Ministry. Income has been accumulating as applicants have not been numerous. Inquiries concerning these scholarships may be addressed to Mr. Cornelius B. Boocock, Dean of Men, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J..

In answer to a question, Mr. Murray stated that in 1823, the College Church Corporation of New York had entered into a bond with the General Synod to pay \$300 per year in perpetuity for the support of the Seminary. In 1835, the amount was increased to \$600 per year and in 1955, to \$3,600 per year, this latter amount approximately equal in present purchasing power to the \$600 of one hundred years ago.

Upon motion, the meeting recessed at 4:30 P.M. to convene again at 8:00 P.M..

The Board reconvened at 8:10 P.M. with President Schut in the Chair. Murray was not present. The Rev. John J. Soeter led in a service of devotion.

S-182. The Rev. Mr. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion presented the report of that Committee. After discussion, the report was received, upon motion. Upon motion in each instance, the following recommendations were adopted:

(1) That we continue to present the goal of annual support of \$1.00 per member to the Churches and that a program be set up to realize this goal progressively by 1959 under the Committee on Promotion. To this end we approve and authorize the following:

(a) That the representatives on the Board from each of the three Eastern Synods be constituted as Synodical Committees, with Chairmen and Secretaries, on promotional programs in Classes of their respective Synods.

(b) That early in this Annual meeting the members meet by Synods to select a Synodical chairman and secretary for each synod, and that the chairman so selected be named to the Board's Committee on Promotion.

(2) That October 28th, 1956 be designated Seminary Sunday, for emphasis on the work of the Seminary, the recruitment of candidates for the Ministry, and the girding of the work with prayers and gifts, and that publicity materials be prepared for distribution in the churches.

(3) That the Committee on Promotion be authorized to secure the part-time services of Rev. Anthony Luidens as Field Representative for promotional work in the interest of the New Brunswick Seminary in the three Eastern Synods, and that \$1200 per year, plus travel expenses be offered as compensation, the time of Mr. Luidens, President of the Committee on Promotion.

(4) That wider use be made of speakers from among the Seminary Faculty, and efforts be directed to give them an audience at men's Brotherhoods, Consistorial, etc.

(5) That appreciation be recorded for the good work of all the Superintendents of the Seminary's cause, and to the Rev. Mr. Luidens for the special help he gave in the Albany Synod, and that in that connection, the Treasurer be authorized to pay Mr. Luidens for the expenses incident thereto.

S-143. Dr. Warnshuis stated that the National Council had prepared materials for use by the churches, and that all ministers would receive a letter shortly from the National Council in connection with the campaign.

S-144. The Rev. John J. Soeter, Chairman of the Committee on New Building and Extension, presented a report as attached hereto.* He likewise included some recommendations. Upon motion, the report was received.

S-145. The Rev. M. Paul Luther presented a verbal report for the Committee on the Succession with respect to the Committee's endeavor to secure a successor to Dr. Holman. After long discussion, the report was received.

Upon motion, the meeting recessed at 10:00 P.M. until 9:00 A.M. tomorrow morning. Dr. Palen closed the meeting with prayer.

President Schut called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M. Tuesday, April 17, 1956. The Rev. James B. Mulder led in a brief devotional period.

S-146. The Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, presented the report of that Committee, attached herewith.* After discussion, upon motion, the report was received and all the recommendations adopted. The Chair was requested to express the Board's appreciation through a communication to the Faculty.

S-147. The Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. L. R. Feakes, presented the proposed operating budget for 1956-57 as recommended by the Executive Committee (Directors), showing total expenses of \$119,150 and requiring \$66,400 in contributions from churches to balance the expenditure. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the budget, as submitted, be approved tentatively, subject to final approval at the May 1956 meeting, and that the Board present an asking letter for 1957 to the Stewardship Council of \$70,000.

S-148. Mr. Feakes presented a report dated January 12, 1956 outlining a pension plan for professors which, with minor amendments, was recommended for adoption by the Executive Committee (Directors). Upon motion, the report was received and attached herewith.* Mr. Feakes stated that, since the Executive Committee (Directors) meeting, informal discussions had indicated the need for providing in the program for voluntary retirement at age 65. Consequently, the Finance Committee offered the following plan as No. 1 in the mimeographed report:

1. That the normal retirement date for the President or a Professor shall be either:

- (a) At the end of the academic year following attainment of age 65 in which his voluntary resignation is accepted by the Board of Superintendents and he is made Professor Emeritus by General Synod, or
- (b) At the end of the academic year following attainment of age 70, when retirement is mandatory.

The provisions of Sections 36 and 37 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America shall be observed in the administration of the foregoing.

After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the above substituted for No. 1 in the mimeographed report of the Committee.

S-189. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board receive this first reading of the report on "Pensions for Professors" as amended, the Finance Committee requested to study the matter further, including conference with the Board of Theological Seminary, and that, subject to final action at the May 1956 meeting of the Board, the two Seminaries overture the General Synod that the Constitutional provisions with regard to the retirement of theological professors be brought into harmony with like provisions for the parish ministry.

S-190. It was moved, seconded and carried that President James communicate the above proposed pension plan to President J. R. Mulder of Western Theological Seminary, and that, subject to final action at the May 1956 meeting of the Board, the two Seminaries overture the General Synod that the Constitutional provisions with regard to the retirement of theological professors be brought into harmony with like provisions for the parish ministry.

S-191. It was moved, seconded and carried that the first and third resolutions presented to the General Synod of 1955 (as reported on page 32 of the Minutes of the meeting) but which, through inadvertence, were not acted upon, be resubmitted to the next meeting of General Synod.

S-192. The Chair announced the appointment of members of the 175th Anniversary Observance Committee (S-178) as follows:

The Rev. Edwin T. Jones, Chairman
Rev. Donner W. Atwood
Rev. J. B. Mulder
Mr. J. Harold Johnston

S-193. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary express the appreciation of the Board to Mr. and Mrs. George N. DeLaplaine of Highland Park for the generous gift of the installation of new wiring and new lights in the Sage Library.

S-194. A vote of thanks was given to the management of the Hotel Berkeley-Carteret, and the Rev. Mr. Wing was asked to transmit this action to the Hotel.

S-195. Dr. James stated that he had been invited to give the Commencement Address at Western Theological Seminary. As this would necessitate his absence at the meeting at New Brunswick on May 23rd, he asked for advice. By unanimous vote, it was suggested that he accept the invitation and that the vice-president preside at such meetings as might be necessary.

S-196. A verbal report for the Alumni Council was made by Mr. Soeter and reports as attached herewith, were presented for the Women's Auxiliary and the Librarian. Upon motion, these reports were accepted and the Secretary was instructed to write a letter to Mrs. M. Stephen James, Chairman of the Women's Auxiliary, expressing the Board's deep appreciation for the activities of that organization.

S-197. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Rev. Henry O. Hospers, presented the report of that Committee (Hospers, Roos, Schut and Seiffert). After being received, each section of the report was acted upon separately. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried in each instance, the following were elected for a one year

Officers of the Board of Superintendents

President - Rev. John J. Soeter
Vice-President - Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp
Secretary - J. Harold Johnston
Treasurer - L. Russell Feakes

Committee on Students and Examinations

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Rev. John J. Gebhard, Jr.
Rev. Louis H. Chisman
Rev. Gordon P. Alexander
Rev. Benjamin J. Hoffman
Rev. James F. Pfingstel

Committee on Promotion

Rev. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman
Rev. Irving H. Decker
Rev. J. Dean Dykstra
Rev. Runyon L. Wolff
Rev. Vernon O. Nagel
Mr. Stanley R. Crocker
Mr. Wm. E. Rylance, and

As Consultative Members from the Three Particular Synods

Rev. Arvin W. Roos
Rev. Roger B. Juckett

Committee on Nominations

Rev. Henry A. Vruwink, Chairman
Rev. Arvin W. Roos
Rev. Chester A. Moore
Rev. Henry O. Hospers
Rev. Harold J. Schut
Rev. Ralph R. H. Cordes
Mr. James F. Hill

S-198. Upon nomination of the Nominating Committee, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board of Superintendents recommend to General Synod the action of the following, all in the Class of 1902:

Members at Large of the Board of Superintendents

Rev. Richard P. Mallery (In place of Vander Hill)
Mr. George P. Howell (In place of Seiffert)
Mr. Gerrit Egedy (In place of Cruikshank)

Members of the Executive Committee (Directors)
 Rev. Donner B. Atwood (In place of Mr. Arie Contant (In place of Cruikshank))

Upon motion, the Secretary was instructed to resubmit to the Class of 1961 nominees for both Members at Large and Members of the Executive Committee (Directors) as submitted to the 1955 General Assembly.

The Secretary was requested to notify the following Classes that the terms of their current representatives on the Board of Superintendents expire at the close of 1956:

Palisades, Paramus, Orange and Raritan

S-199. It was moved, seconded and carried that the next regular meeting of the Board of Superintendents be held at 1:00 P.M. on Wednesday, May 23, 1956, at the Seminary.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M., January 17, 1956, the Rev. J. Soeter closing the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted
 J. Harold Johnston, Secretary

March 6, 1956

A special meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Seminary held on March 6, 1956 in the parish house of the Second Reformed Church, New Brunswick. The meeting was convened at 11:12 A.M. with the President, the Reverend John J. Soeter in the Chair. The Reverend Franklin J. Hinkamp led in prayer. In the absence of the Secretary, the Reverend Garrett C. Roorda was appointed to take the minutes.

The following members of the Board were present: Messrs. P.G. Craig, Arie Contant, H. Albert Seiffert, L.R. Feakes, Drs. A.L. Warnshuis, M. Stephen James, Revs. E.T. Jones, John C. Gebhard, Jr., Harold J. Schut, Franklin J. Hinkamp, Thomas P. Haig, Donner B. Atwood, H. William Pyle, Norman Edwin Thomas, Irving H. Decker, James B. Mulder, James Pfingstel, Garrett C. Roorda and John J. Soeter.

Dr. James announced to the delegates that their expenses would be borne according to the usual practice.

Mr. Soeter stated the purpose of the meeting as follows:

To take action in regard to the proposed invitation to Wallace N. Jamison to fill the Chair of Church History for the academic year 1956-57, and other business as necessary.

S-200. In the absence of Mr. Luther, Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, Dr. James was called on to report for the committee. He gave a resume of the committee's work for the year, noting their frustration after considering all the known available candidates for the Chair. He then related the providential events which led their attention to the Reverend Wallace N. Jamison, Ph.D., Professor of History at Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania. He reported that after a meeting with Dr. Jamison the Committee on Professorate were unanimous in their recommendation that he engage him, and that the Faculty of the Seminary heartily concur in this sentiment. On behalf of the Committee Dr. James then offered the following recommendations:

1. That the Board of Superintendents invite the Reverend Wallace N. Jamison to serve as Adjunct Professor in charge of the Department of Church History in the New Brunswick Seminary for the academic year 1956-57;

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2. That we provide for his support, the same salary and housing ~~as provided for~~ or ~~may be~~ during his incumbency, established for the support of all regularly installed professors of the Seminary;
3. That we agree to assume responsibility for the payment of charges for moving his household effects from New Wilmington, Pa., to New Brunswick, N.J.;
4. That, for the period of Dr. Jamison's incumbency as Adjunct Professor, the Board of Superintendents authorize the payment of his premiums to the Contributory Pension Fund of the United Presbyterian Church;
5. That the Board declare its intention, upon the mutual consent of Dr. Jamison and the Board of Superintendents, at the close of the academic year of 1956, to nominate Dr. Jamison to the 1957 session of General Synod of the Reformed Church in America for election and installation as a Professor of Theology in charge of the Department of Church History at New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

S-201. A motion was made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Schut that the recommendations be received and that at this point Mr. Jamison be invited to the room to meet the Board of Superintendents. Mr. Hinkamp escorted Dr. Jamison to the room, and Dr. James introduced him. He addressed the Board, giving a biographical sketch of his life and outlining his basic ideas in the teaching of Church History to theological students. The latter he expressed as follows: To develop a reverence for and appreciation of the great heritage of the Church and great personalities, their lives, thought and contributions to the Christian tradition. He gave the three basis principles of Church History as the following:

1. an appreciation of the great thought content of the Church
2. an appreciation for the people involved and their setting in their life and times
3. To create an interest in the world setting of the Church today, relating its thought to world struggles and comparing the present with similar periods in the past.

These principles lead us to a re-examining of our own faith and a girding of our loins for the battle in the present crisis.

After various questions by members of the Board, Dr. Jamison was excused. The recommendations of the Committee on Professorate were then considered seriatim, and unanimously passed.

S-202. A motion was made by Dr. Warnshuis that the expenses of Dr. Jamison for his meeting be underwritten by our treasurer. The motion was passed.

S-203. The President appointed a committee to wait upon Dr. Jamison and carry out the action of the Board. This committee was composed of Dr. James, Mr. Hinkamp, Mr. Soeter and Mr. Roorda.

S-204. The President asked the Vice-president, Mr. Hinkamp, to take the Chair. In action of the Building and Grounds Committee, Mr. Soeter then presented the Alumni report on the new building and rehabilitation of professors' homes. He announced that Architect had been retained and his plans approved by the Board in January. These plans have now been submitted to five contractors for bid, calling for razing of the building at 2/ Seminary Place, the erection on the same site of a garden-type duplex building, and the renovation of the remaining three professors' homes. Bids ranged from \$135,000 to a low of \$111,750, the latter low bid being submitted by the

S-205. A motion was made by Dr. Warnshuis, seconded by Mr. Mulder, that the Committee be authorized in the name of the Board of Superintendents to proceed with letting of the contract to the lowest bidder. In the discussion on this motion it was brought out that the rehabilitation of the three professors' residences would amount to approximately \$20,000 if done under separate contract; however by including them in the same contract with the new structure, this figure was reduced to \$10,000. The balance of the total contract figure is for the new dwelling. In addition there will be a 6% architect's fee. The motion was passed.

S-206. A motion was made by Mr. Soeter, and seconded by Mr. Atwood, that the Board authorize the signing of all papers in connection with the building and relocation program by any two of the four Board officers, namely, Mr. Soeter, Mr. Hinkamp, Mr. Feakes and Mr. Johnston.

S-207. A motion was made by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mr. Atwood, that the Board thank the Committee of Professorate for its work.

S-208. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Schut, and seconded by Mr. Soeter. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mr. Soeter, and adjourned at 1:15 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

Garrett C. Roorda,
Secretary pro tem

ADDENDA

The special committee appointed by the Board to notify Dr. Jamison of their action (S-201-203) met in Dr. James' study at 2:00 P.M.. Present were Dr. Jamison, Dr. James, Mr. Soeter, Mr. Hinkamp and Mr. Roorda. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mr. Soeter.

Mr. Soeter then notified Dr. Jamison of the Board's enthusiastic and unanimous invitation to him to fill the Chair of Church History as Adjunct Professor, and Dr. James discussed in detail the recommendations concerning the Board's action. Dr. Jamison expressed his satisfaction with the terms as outlined and declared his intention of accepting the invitation to be Adjunct Professor of Church History for the academic year 1956-57. He added that he would give his official reply in a letter with the receipt of a calling letter from the Board. The meeting was adjourned with a prayer by Dr. James.

G.C. Roorda
Secretary for the Committee

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May 23, 1956

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held in the Greek room of the Sage Library, New Brunswick Theological Seminary on Wednesday, May 23rd, 1956. The President of the Board, the Rev. John J. Soeter, called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. The Rev. Thomas F. Haid offered prayer. The Rev. Laverne J. Vander Hill was appointed Secretary pro tem in the absence of the Secretary.

There were present: The Rev. Raymond C. Lubbers, Ernest R. Palen, J. Dean Heemstra, Gerrit Heemstra, Chester Wing, Thomas P. Haig, William H. Pyle, Donner B. Atwood, Edwin W. Mos, James B. Mulder, Roger B. Juckett, Vernon O. Nagel, Abram Pepling, Norman C. Moore, Benjamin J. Hoffman, John B. Gebhard, Gordon P. Alexander, Louis H. Hinkamp, Gerard C. Poole, Henry A. Vruwink, Runyon L. Wolff, James Pfingstel, Franklin J. Hinkamp, Norman L. Thomas, ... Paul Luther, John J. Soeter, Laverne J. Vander Hill, Edwin T. Jones, Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, Lessrs. Percy G. Craig, Arie Contant, Randall C. Bosch, L. Russell Feakes and H. Albert Seiffert.

There was no reading of the minutes of the previous meeting as the Secretary was absent.

Permission was granted the Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, to present the Graduating Class and members of the Faculty at 3:00 P.M..

Dr. Heemstra then gave the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations. The suggestions presented to the Committee by the members of the Senior Class during the examinations were ordered to be presented to the Committee on Professorate for further consideration. The following suggestions were presented by the Committee for consideration by the members of the Board:

1. That a follow-up be made of the recent graduates of the Seminary concerning their work in their new pastorates.
2. That reports from the pastors of churches served by the Seminary Student workers be checked with the Registrar of the Seminary.

S-209. It was regularly moved and carried that the recommendation that the members of the Senior Class be granted the B.D. Degree and the Professorial Certificate as named by the report of the Faculty be adopted. (The Faculty Report is appended to the file copy of the Board Minutes)

The members of the Graduating Class were presented by the Rev. Gerrit Heemstra, and were introduced to the members of the Board of Superintendents by the Dean of the Seminary, Dr. Hugh B. MacLean.

The members of the Faculty were presented to the Board of Superintendents by the Dean of the Seminary, and Dr. Milton J. Hoffman spoke for the Faculty, expressing his deep gratitude for the long years of service he was able to render while Professor of Church History at the Seminary. The Annual Report of the Faculty was presented by Dr. MacLean.

S-210. The Committee on Promotion reported that promotion material for Seminary Sunday would again be available, and that more and more of the material was being used. The Chairman reported that Dr. Anthony Luidens, Field Worker for the Seminary in New York State, was continuing his work through the cooperation of the Classical members of the Board of Superintendents. Dr. Luidens was presented and spoke briefly about the fine work that is being done in the Albany Synod.

S-211. The Finance Committee's report on Pensions for Professors was presented by Dr. A. L. Warnshuis. It was regularly moved and carried that the report be received and the recommendations be adopted. (The report is appended to the file copy of the Board Minutes)

S-212. The report of the Committee on Professorate was presented by the Chairman, the Rev. Martin Paul Luther. It was regularly moved and carried that the report be received and the recommendations be adopted.

1. We recommend that men accomplished in the field of Christian education be invited to give lectures in this Department, and to assist both in the Department of Christian Education and Practical Theology, and that we invite the Rev. Peter Berge to become assistant in the Department of Practical Theology for the academic year 1956-57.

2. That Mr. Vanden Berge be offered a salary of \$3600.00 per year beginning September 1, 1956.

3. That he be given free residence, and that his moving expenses be paid by the Seminary.

4. That the Committee be authorized to procure the Rev. Howard G. Hageman as non-resident visiting Lecturer for the courses in Preaching and Liturgies for the academic year 1956-57.

S-213. It was regularly moved and carried that the Committee on Professorate requested to present a report at the January meeting of the Board of Superintendents regarding the progress they have made in cooperation with the Faculty of the Seminary in the study of the Curriculum of the Seminary.

S-214. The Annual Treasurer's Report was presented by the Treasurer, Mr. L. Russell Feakes. It was regularly moved and carried that this report be received with thanks and placed on file.

S-215. It was regularly moved and carried that the proposed budget for the fiscal year, July 1 1956 to June 30, 1957, as presented by the Treasurer be adopted.

S-216. It was regularly moved and carried that Dr. Hugh B. MacLean, Dean of the Seminary, be authorized to preside at the Commencement Exercises if Dr. L. Stephen James, President were detained in returning from his speaking engagement.

S-217. It was regularly moved and carried that Dr. Herbert S. Van Wyk be authorized to act in behalf of the Dean of the Seminary in presenting the various Degrees, Awards and Certificates to the members of the Graduating Class, if Dr. MacLean should have to fulfill the office of the office of the President.

S-218. It was regularly moved and carried that Dr. Warnshuis send greetings to the Board via telegram to Dr. J. Frederick Berg, a former Professor of the Seminary who has been hospitalized.

S-219. It was regularly moved and carried that a resolution from the Board be sent to Dr. William H.S. Demarest, President Emeritus of the Seminary, who has celebrated his 94th year and who is now confined to the hospital.

S-220. It was regularly moved and carried that a resolution from the Board be prepared by a special Committee consisting of Revs. Haig, Palen and Moore, and sent to Dr. Milton J. Hoffman for his long term of service to the Seminary.

NOTE ON CORRECTED DESIGNATIONS OF BOARD ACTIONS

An error in the numbered designation of Board actions was made in reporting the meeting of January 21 and 22, 1957, and was continued through the minutes as distributed of the meetings of February 25, 1957 (Special Meeting), May 22nd, 1957 and January 20th and 21st, 1958.

The actions as indicated in the distributed minutes were S-171 to S-260 inclusive. The designations should have been S-221 to S-306, inclusive.

The corrected numbered designations have been made in this record. These include actions indicated by S-221 to S-306, inc. of the meetings of January 21 and 22nd, 1957, Special meeting of February 25th, 1957, May 22nd, 1957 & Jan. 20-21, 1958. These are recorded on pages number 181 to 197, inclusive.

S-214. The Annual Treasurer's Report was presented by the Treasurer, Mr. Russell Feakes. It was regularly moved and carried that this report be received with thanks and placed on file.

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The meeting adjourned at 5:30 P.M., and was closed with prayer by the Rev. L. Lubbers.

Respectfully submitted,

Laverne J. Vander Hill, Secy. Pro Tem.

January 21 and 22, 1957

The numbered designations of actions of the following meeting have been corrected according to attached note.

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Hotel Berkeley Carteret, Asbury Park, N. J. on January 21 and 22, 1957. The President of the Board, the Rev. John J. Soeter called the meeting to order, following luncheon, at 2:10 P. M., on January 21, on January 21, 1957, and led in a short devotional service. Mr. J. Harold Johnston acted as secretary of the meeting.

There were present:

From the Albany Synod and Classes - Revs. Benjamin J. Hoffman, Rochester; Louis Wisman, Albany; Arvin H. Roos, Schenectady; Kunyon L. Wolff, Saratoga; Ernest DeCourse, Montgomery; John G. Gebhard, Hudson;

From New Jersey Synod and Classes - Isaac C. Rottenberg, Maritan; James Pfingstel, Newark; Harold J. Schut, Philadelphia; H. William Pyle, Passaic; Chester A. Wing, Bergen; Fred C. Pool, Palisades; Wilbur E. Ivins, Paramus; James B. Mulder, New Brunswick;

From the New York Synod and Classes - Elton J. Bruins, Westchester; Martin Paul Luther, South Long Island; Roger B. Juckett, North Long Island; Ernest H. Palen, New York; J. Dean Dykstra, Ulster; George Winn, Orange.

At Large - Revs. Donner B. Atwood; Norman E. Thomas; Richard P. Mallery; Messrs. Merrit Lgedy; Roger F. Murray; L. Russell Peakes; Arie Contant; Percy G. Craig; Stanley Crocker; George B. Howell; J. Harold Johnston;

Alumni Representative - Rev. John J. Soeter;

Ex Officio - Dr. H. Stephen James, Seminary, President.

Those who indicated their inability to attend were the Revs. Preston J. Stegenga, Vernon C. Nagel, G. F. Alexander, Henry A. Vruwink, Edwin T. Jones, A. L. Varnshuis, Franklin J. Hinkamp, Ralph R. H. Cordes, and Messrs. A. C. Bosch, James F. Hill, William E. Ryland, and A. A. Buzzi.

The Chair introduced those who were attending for the first time.

The Secretary presented the minutes of the Board meetings held in New Brunswick on May 23-24, 1956, as distributed in mimeographed form. Dr. James stated that the names of William A. Downs and Stanley Garrett Short had been omitted through error from the list of those approved by the Board to receive Professorial Certificates. Since these students were scheduled to complete their studies at the end of the first term of 1956-57, before another meeting of the Board, they had been approved both by the Committee on Examinations and the Board, and should have been included in the Minutes of the Board meeting of May 23, 1956. The inclusion of these names was approved.

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S-221. The Chair appointed the Rev. Harold J. Schut to serve as acting chairman of the Nominating Committee in place of the Rev. Henry A. Vroom, unable to attend the meeting.

S-222. Dr. M. Stephen James, President of the Seminary, read his report for the year 1956, as attached hereto. Upon motion it was received and ordered placed on file.

S-223. Mr. L. Russell Feakes, Treasurer of the Seminary, presented his report for the fiscal year July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1956, as well as for the six month period from July 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956, together with the December 31, 1956, balance sheets, schedule of investments and schedule of special income, all as attached herewith. Upon motion, the report of the Treasurer was received with a vote of appreciation to him, and ordered filed.

S-224. President James, Mr. Feakes and Mr. Murray reported that an application had been made to the Superior Court of New Jersey (D-246) last June for the transfer of the principal and interest of the Rebecca Knox (1815) and Garret Hopper (1909) scholarship funds from the Trustees of Rutgers College in New Jersey to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America as well as certain other gifts, bequests and endowments known as "Beneficiary Funds." The income from the Knox and Hopper bequests were to be used for scholarship awards to students at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, while the income from the "Beneficiary Funds" was to be used for scholarships to students at Rutgers University who expected to enter the ministry of the Reformed Church. The Court approved the application. The income from the Knox and Hopper funds will be made available to the Seminary by the Board of Direction, and will be granted in the form of scholarships or grants to Seminary students (D-252). The income from the other funds will be at the disposal of the Board of Education for scholarships to students at Rutgers expecting to enter the Reformed Church ministry. One of the conditions of the transfer was that the Board of Direction must make an accounting to the Attorney General of New Jersey every two years as to the disposition of the income.

S-225. The Treasurer presented a proposed tentative budget for the year 1957-58 as attached herewith, indicating expenses of \$115,450, and requiring \$59,650 in contributions from the churches to balance. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the budget for 1957-58 be approved as presented with the understanding that it would be presented for final adoption at the next meeting of the Board. During the discussion, Mr. Pool presented the recommendation from the Classis of Palisades that the salaries of the professors be placed on a comparable basis with the salaries paid by other seminaries, such as Drew, Princeton, and the suggestion was offered that the Seminary pay for all the utilities (heat, light, water) and the basic telephone charge for the professors, thus equalizing differences in the houses occupied and, in effect, increasing non-taxable income. The recommendation and the suggestion were referred to the Executive Committee (Directors).

S-226. The Rev. Mr. Pool presented the report of the Committee on Promotion. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received and that all the ten recommendations in the report be approved and adopted.

S-227. Upon motion, it was agreed that at 5:45 P. M. a recess would be taken so that meetings of Superintendents by Synods could be held and that the evening session would recess at 9:30 P. M. so that the film "The Making of a Minister," prepared by the Colgate Rochester Divinity School could be shown at that time.

S-228. The Rev. Mr. Luther, Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, Dr.

Instruction and Curriculum reported verbally for the Committee. The Committee recommended that the Board recommend to General Synod that Dr. Wallace N. Jamison be elected as Professor of Church History; stated that it was not able at the moment to recommend as individual for appointment as lector for 1957-58 in Practical Theology and Homiletics, but expected to be able to do so within a month, and presented the proposals of the faculty for changes in the curriculum. Upon motion, the report was received. Long discussion followed on the last two matters.

S-229. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Board of Superintendents recommend to General Synod that Dr. Wallace N. Jamison be elected as the Abraham Messler Quick Professor of Church History at the Seminary.

S-230. It was moved seconded and carried that the Committee on Professorate be mandated to present a recommendation for appointment as lector in Practical Theology and Homiletics to the Board at a special meeting, or before the final adjournment of the present meeting.

The time of 5:45 P. M. having arrived, the meeting was recessed until 8:00 P.M. The Rev. Mr. Staat led in prayer.

The meeting reconvened at 8:15 P. M. with Mr. Soeter in the Chair. The Rev. George C. Douma led in devotions.

S-231. After discussion, it was moved seconded and carried that the Committee on Professorate study with the faculty the proposals the faculty had made with respect to the curriculum and report on the subject at the May, 1957 meeting of the Board.

S-232. The report of the Librarian, Mrs. Margaret Wilson, as attached to the minutes, was received and ordered filed.

S-233. The Secretary read the resignation of Mrs. Wilson dated January 7, 1957. Several members spoke of the unusually capable and faithful service she had given to the Seminary over the years. Upon motion, the resignation was accepted with deep regret and the Secretary was instructed to place in the minutes of the meeting an appropriate reference to Mrs. Wilson's services.

For over thirty years Mrs. Margaret Wilson has served as Librarian of our Seminary in charge of Gardner Sage Library. Her service has been marked with faithful devotion and the highest competence. She has brought keen judgment to the selection and acquisition of additional library resources. She has maintained the highest standards in all departments of the administration. We are deeply indebted to her for the enviable position and reputation which the Library enjoys. We receive her resignation with deepest regret, and extend to her our thanks for the service she has given, and our best wishes for joy in the years ahead.

S-234. The Rev. Mr. Wing reported verbally for the Committee on Library. He stated that (1) certain repairs to the Library building were essential, (2) that the Librarian salary item in the 1957-58 budget would have to be increased before a new person could be secured, (3) that, because of the small salary Mrs. Wilson was receiving, the total she would receive from the contributory annuity and Social Security would need supplementing, probably at the rate of \$50 per month, and (4) a consultant should be employed to study the needs of the Library. Upon motion, the report was accepted and the recommendations referred to the Executive Committee (Directors).

S-235. The Secretary reported for the Executive Committee (Directors) by reading those parts of the minutes of the January 11, 1957 meeting which had not been previously reported.

S-236. The recommendation of the Executive Committee that the house at

8 Bishop Place be designated as the home for the President of the Seminary and that it be officially designated as the Raven House (D-259) was adopted, upon motion.

S-237. The recommendation that the annual funds needed for the operation of the two Seminaries be included in the assessment roll of General Synod was presented (D-256). It was moved and seconded that the Board approve the principle of the recommendation. Discussion followed. At 9:30 P.M. the motion was placed on the table for consideration as the first item of business at the morning session.

The meeting recessed at 9:30 P.M. The rev. Mr. H. William Pyle led prayer.

The meeting was called to order by President Soeter at 9:10 A.M. on Tuesday, January 22, 1957. The Rev. Mr. Juckett led the devotional service.

S-238. Upon motion, the matter of S-237 was removed from the table. After discussion, a substitute motion was presented and seconded that the recommendation be referred to the Finance Committee for study and consultation with those who had originally presented the recommendation. The substitute motion was unanimously carried.

S-239. The recommendation that the two Seminaries move toward the offering of Master's Degrees in Religious Education to both men and women in affiliation with nearby educational institutions (D-256) was presented and Dr. James called attention to the somewhat similar recommendation adopted at the last meeting of General Synod. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Chair appoint a special committee to study the subject and to report their recommendations on the matter to the Board. The Chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Richard P. Mallery, Chairman, Drs. B. J. Mulder, M. Stephen James, Hugh B. MacLean and Mr. Roger F. Murray.

S-240. The Treasurer stated that the tentative budget adopted (S-225) for 1957-58, and showing a need for contributions from churches totaling \$59,650, had been an operating, or "working" budget and covered only the bare necessities. It did not include a salary for the new Professor of Practical Theology or an increase in the salary item for the Librarian, nor did it include the estimated cost of the new changes in the Library or the heating plant in Hertzog Hall. Thus, the Executive Committee recommended that the "asking" budget to be submitted to the Stewardship Council be adjusted to show \$80,000 as the contributions needed from churches. It was moved, seconded and carried that this recommendation be approved.

S-241. There was no report from the Committee on Students and Examinations.

S-242. Mr. Soeter reported for the Special Committee on New Building and Rehabilitation that the new building had been completed, except for the installation of a kitchen cabinet, and was now occupied. The three residences had been completely renovated and were now in good order. All concerned were most happy about the "new look" of the campus. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received, that the Board express its deep appreciation for the work so well and faithfully done and that the Committee be discharged with profound thanks.

S-243. Mr. Craig, Chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, stated that, within the \$20,000 item in the present budget, his committee expected to repair the ceiling and paint the Library, put the Raven House in shape for occupancy, pave around the new house, redecorate 6 Bishop, and fix the windows in Hertzog Hall. The heating plant in Hertzog Hall is a matter of concern to the committee, but no financial or reasonable method of improving it has been found to date.

S-244. Reference was made to the death of Dr. William H. S. Demarest on June 23, 1956. Upon motion, Dr. James was requested to prepare a memorial resolution for the records of the Board.

The Rev. William H. S. Demarest, D.D., L.L.D.

The rev. Dr. William H. S. Demarest was throughout his long life intimately associated with New Brunswick Theological Seminary. As the son of Dr. David D. Demarest, a Professor in the Seminary, his boyhood was spent on the campus. He was graduated from the Seminary in 1888, and became one of her most distinguished alumni. For his life-long service to the church was given in the fields of Education. Following his term as President of Rutgers University, he served as President of the Seminary for ten years, from 1925 to 1935. His interest and support of the Seminary was continued, following his retirement from official service, to the end of his life. His presence and counsel as a member of the Board of Superintendents was highly valued.

In this our first meeting since his death on June 23, 1956, we record our gratitude for his long life of service and Godly influence in the Reformed Church, and in particular for his leadership in the affairs of the Seminary. We join the Church in paying richly deserved tribute to his memory.

S-245. The Secretary read the report of Mrs. M. Stephen James, Chairman of the Women's Auxiliary for 1956, as attached herewith. During that period the Auxiliary had received \$5,788.31 in contributions. The project of providing new furnishings for the dormitory rooms is now practically complete. After conference with the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, the 1957 project of the Auxiliary will be the enlarging and modernization of the bathroom facilities on the fourth floor of Hartzog Hall. Upon motion, the report was received and the Secretary was instructed to write Mrs. James a letter of appreciation.

S-246. The Rev. Mr. Isaac C. Rottenberg reported that, with the assistance of the faculty, it was planned to improve and expand the Bulletin. He asked for suggestions and cooperation.

S-247. The Rev. Mr. Luther stated that his committee (on the professorate) had prepared a written report with respect to the faculty's proposal on the curriculum which he would like to offer as a supplement to the verbal report (S-228) made by the committee on Monday morning. There being no objection, copies of the supplementary report as attached herewith were distributed. Mr. Luther stated that all the members of the committee attending the Board meeting joined in the recommendation that the proposals be approved. Discussion followed. It was moved, seconded and carried that the previous action, (S-231) instructing the Committee on the Professorate to study with the faculty the proposed changes in the curriculum and to report back at the May, 1957 meeting of the Board be rescinded.

S-248. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board express its approval of the proposals of the faculty with respect to the arrangement and adoption of the required basic theological disciplines required by the Reformed Church and the offering, in addition, of elective courses (paragraphs marked A and B on the committee's report).

S-249. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board express its approval of the proposal of the faculty with respect to changes in the thesis requirements (paragraph marked C on the committee's report).

S-250. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board express its appreciation to the faculty for its progressive action in revising the curriculum.

S-251. Upon motion, the supplementary report of the Committee on the Professorate was adopted as a whole.

S-252. It was moved, seconded and carried that a copy of the four-page letter "Plan of Reorganization, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, adopted at the General Synod June 1951, be sent to each in-coming member of the Board and that, if necessary, steps be taken to secure an additional supply of reprints for the purpose.

S-253. The Rev. Mr. Schut, acting chairman of the Committee on Nominations, reported the following changes in the membership of the Board of Superintendents: Rev. Albert C. Freeman, Newark Classis, to fill unexpired term of Rev. James P. Runyon L. Wolff, Saratoga Classis, to fill unexpired term of Rev. James P. Runyon J. Bruins, Westchester Classis, to fill unexpired term of Rev. James P. Decker, and the Rev. George H. Winn, Orange Classis to fill the unexpired term of Raymond Fontier.

S-254. Mr. Schut's committee offered the following names for nomination to General Synod as members at large of the Board of Superintendents for the term ending in 1963:

Mr. Randall C. Bosch, to succeed himself

Mr. J. Harold Johnston, to succeed himself

Rev. Harold H. Klein, in place of the Rev. Dr. A. L. Warnshuis who, because of ill health, declined to accept nomination

Upon motion, the above nominations were approved.

S-255. Mr. Schut's committee offered the following names for nomination to General Synod as members of the Executive Committee (Directors) for a term of six years.

Mr. J. Harold Johnston

Rev. Richard P. Mallery

S-256. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Rev. Dr. A. L. Warnshuis be made honorary member of the Board of Superintendents and of the Executive Committee (Directors) in recognition of his long and fruitful service to the Seminary. It was further ordered that an appropriate letter be sent him and that, in the meantime, the President of the Board telephone him greetings on behalf of the Board.

S-257. Mr. Schut presented the following nominations for committee membership for 1957:

Committee on Students and Examinations:

H. William Pyle, Chairman

Wilbur E. Ivins

Isaac C. Rottenberg

James B. Mulder

Arie Contant

Abram Pepling

Elton J. Bruins

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum:

Martin Paul Luther, Chairman

Edwin T. Jones

Richard P. Mallery

Roger B. Juckett

Franklin J. Hinkamp

Roger F. Murray, 2nd

Norman B. Thomas

Committee on Library:

Chester A. Wing, Chairman

Gordon F. Alexander

Donner B. Atwood

Louis H. Chisman

John G. Gebhard, Jr.

Benjamin J. Hoffman

Albert C. Freeman

Committee on Promotion:

Gerard C. Pool, Chairman
Stanley K. Crocker
J. Dean Dykstra
William E. Rylance

Runyon L. Wolff
Arvin W. Roos
Roger B. Juckett

Committee on Nominations:

Ernest K. Palen, Chairman
Ralph R. H. Cordes
James F. Hill
Chester A. Moore

Ernest Crounse
George H. Winn, Jr.
Gerrit Egedy

Upon motion all of the above nominations were approved.

S-258. The Committee on Nominations presented the following for officers of the Board of Superintendents:

President: Franklin J. Hinkamp
Vice President: Roger B. Juckett

There were no other nominations. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the Board of Superintendents elected Hinkamp and Juckett to indicated offices.

S-259. The Chair reminded those present that the terms of officers and committee members begin with the adjournment of this meeting. He expressed appreciation on behalf of the Board for the services of those whose terms were expiring, his own appreciation for the cooperation the members had extended to him during his term as President of the Board. Several of those present expressed the Board's appreciation to him for the capable and faithful service he had given the Board and Seminary.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned at 11:20 P.M. The Rev. Mr. Soeter closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



J. Harold Johnston, Secretary

February 25, 1957

A special meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was called to order by the President, Rev. Franklin Hinkamp at 10:45 in the Presbyterian Chapel, at 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City. The President called Rev. Mr. Donner Atwood to act as Secretary pro-tem in the absence of the Secretary.

The meeting was opened with prayer offered by the Rev. Norman Thomas. An agenda sheet was distributed. The following members were present. Revs. Dykstra, Palen, Luther, Thomas, Juckett, B. J. Mulder, J. B. Mulder, Bruins, Rottenberg, Atwood, James, Wing, Alexander, Pool, Ivins, Pyle, Hinkamp, and Messrs. Murray Egedy.

Requests to be excused were received from Revs. Douma, Nagel, Freeman, Winn, Craig, Jones, Vander Lugt, and Messrs. Bosch and Johnston. These also indicated their approval of the appointment of the Rev. James C. Belman in accordance with previously announced recommendation to be made by the Committee on Professorate.

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A quorum was present for conducting the business to come before the Board. Dr. James also announced that travel expense arrangements for attending the Board would be cared for in the usual procedures.

S-260. It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Annual Meeting held in January 1957, be considered for approval at the May, 1957 meeting.

The Chairman recognized Rev. Mr. Paul Luther, Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, for the presentation of the report of his committee. After some introductory comments, Mr. Luther announced that the following two recommendations bore the unanimous approval of the Committee on Professorate:

- 1): That the Board of Superintendents appoint the Rev. James C. Belman as the resident lecturer for the Department of Practical Theology and Homiletics at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary for the term of one year;
- 2) That the same financial arrangements which currently exist between the Board and the other Professors of the Seminary be extended to the Rev. Mr. Belman. These would include salary, annuity payments, housing, heat allowance, moving expenses to the Seminary, etc.

S-261. Motion made by Dr. Ernest Palen, seconded by Rev. Dean Dykstra, that the report be adopted, with its recommendations. After discussion, approved. Mr. Luther was asked to escort Rev. Mr. Belman into the room, that the Board might extend to him personally its confidence in him as their choice for the Chair under consideration. Mr. Belman responded with an expression of thanksgiving to the Board for the confidence it had placed in him, beseeching the Board to join him in a continual prayer for God's guidance as he endeavored to train men for the Christian ministry.

Dr. L. Stephen James reported that Rev. Mr. Wing had intended to be present at the meeting to present a report from the Library Committee. Inasmuch as Mr. Wing was not at the moment present, the Seminary President suggested that the Board take under consideration the possibility of receiving the report of the Library Committee by mail, and then vote by mail ballot on the Committee's recommendation regarding a new librarian.

S-262. Motion by Richard Mallory, seconded by Ernest Palen, that the Library Committee submit its report about the appointment of a new librarian to succeed Mrs. Wilson by mail to all of the Board members and receive from them a mail ballot on the matter. Passed.

Subsequent to this motion, Mr. Wing appeared and presented two reports, both of which are on file with this. The first report was in regard to the action of the Library Committee of the Board of Superintendents up to this date. Mr. Wing announced that this report would be mimeographed and sent to the Board members for their consideration.

S-263. Motion by Dr. Bernard Mulder, seconded by Dr. Palen, that the report of the Chairman of the Library Committee with its five recommendations be received, circulated and acted upon at the May meeting of the Board. Approved.

S-264. Motion by Dr. Mulder, seconded by Rev. Mr. Elton Bruins that the recommendations of the Library Committee (outlining procedural methods) be adopted by the Board. Approved.

The second phase of Mr. Wing's report from the Committee on the Library was for information only, reporting that the Committee had met with the Buildings and

Library Committee at the Seminary, reviewed the needs for the physical rehabilitation of the library building, and notifying the Board that a sizable sum of money would have to be expended if the Library was to be qualified to do its task adequately at the Seminary. Said report attached hereto.

S-265. Motion by Rev. Mr. Dykstra and Rev. Mr. Richard Mallory that the meeting be adjourned. There being no further business, the President of the Board requested Rev. M. Pool to close the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Donner B. Atwood
Secretary Pro-Tem

May 22, 1957

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held in the Sage Library, New Brunswick Theological Seminary on Wednesday, May 22, 1957. The President of the Board, the Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp, called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. The Rev. Dean Dykstra offered prayer. The Rev. John J. Soeter was appointed Secretary pro tem in the absence of the Secretary.

There were present: The Revs. Franklin J. Hinkamp, John J. Soeter, Gordon P. Alexander, Edwin Thomas Jones, Gerard C. Pool, Elton J. Bruins, James B. Mulder, Chester A. Wing, John G. Gebhard, George H. Winn, Ernest Crounse, Arvin W. Roos, Isaac C. Battenberg, Albert Charles Freeman, Wilbur E. Ivins, Chester A. Moore, Dean Dykstra and Roger B. Juckett, Drs. A. L. Warnshuis and M. Stephen James, Messrs. Arie Contant, L. Russell Feakes, Randall C. Bosch, George B. Howell, Percy G. Craig, Roger F. Murray, 2nd and Gerrit Egedy.

The minutes of the January 1957 meeting were approved as distributed. The minutes of the special meeting of the Library Committee (February 25, 1957) were also approved.

The Order of the Day was set for presentation of the Graduating Class by the Committee on Students and Examinations at 3:00 P.M., and members of the Faculty at 3:30 P.M.

The Secretary read a communication from the Classis of Ulster. The matter was tabled for action later in the meeting. (See S-270)

S-266. Mr. L. Russell Feakes, Treasurer of the Seminary, presented his report for the ten months of the current fiscal year ending April 30, 1957 and the Budget Proposal for the year ending June 30, 1958.

After discussion, it was proposed that changes be made in items indicated in the copy on file.

It was regularly moved and carried that the report be received and the budget as corrected be adopted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958. Mr. Feakes was thanked for his excellent report and budget proposal.

S-267. The Committee on Library reported that the mail ballot of February 25 resulted in 46 votes being cast and that all were favorable to the appointment of the Rev. Peter W. Vanden Berge as Librarian. This report was confirmed by vote, and the Secretary requested to so notify the Faculty.

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S-268. The members of the Graduating Class were presented to the members of the Board of Superintendents, and were welcomed by the President, Mr. Hinkamp.

The report of the Committee on Students and Examinations was presented by the Rev. Isaac Rottenberg. It was moved and carried that this report be received, and that the recommendation contained therein be adopted. (See copy on file)

The members of the Faculty were welcomed to the meeting by the President, Mr. Hinkamp. Dr. James presented the Rev. Mr. Vanden Berge, newly appointed Librarian. Dr. Jamison spoke on behalf of the Faculty. He reported that the Faculty had had an exciting year, and thanked the members of the Board for their support and for the young men being sent by the churches to prepare for the Christian Ministry. The annual report of the Faculty was presented by the Dean, Dr. Maclean. It was moved and carried that the report be received as corrected.

S-269. The Rev. Chester A. Wing reported for the Committee on Library. It was moved and carried that the report be received.

A discussion followed concerning the retirement of Mrs. Margaret Wilson in October after twenty-nine years of service to the Seminary. Her Social Security and Reformed Church Pension will bring her an income of about \$100.00 per month. It was voted and carried that the Board direct the Executive Committee (Directors) to arrange for a pension of one-half Mrs. Wilson's current salary, said pension to be made up of Social Security benefits, Pension benefits of the Reformed Church plan and supplemented by the Seminary.

It was voted that the report as a whole, as amended, be accepted. The motion was carried.

S-270. It was moved and carried that the letter from the Classis of Ulster with regard to instituting a language aptitude test for entering students, and a program of English study in the first year for those showing need, be referred to the Faculty for consideration.

S-271. The report of the Committee on Professorate was presented by the Rev. W. Paul Luther, thanking the Faculty for their work and submitting the following recommendations:

"That Mr. Vanden Berge be engaged to teach three basic courses, one course each term, in Religious Education and to continue the supervision of Junior Field Work; that Mr. Eelman, as he desires, include a course in Instructions for Church Membership and that a visiting instructor be secured for the needed elective course, e.g., we have good hope of being able to secure Dr. Horighausen for a course of lectures on The Family and Christian Nurture.

These, with the additional course in Pastoral Counseling by Mr. Eelman, will provide a strong Christian Education unit in our curriculum for next year. It will give us the advantage of another year of experience as a basis for further decisions and of doing this within our budget limitations. It will also give us time to assess the other factors involved."

It was moved and carried that the report be received and the recommendations adopted.

S-272. It was moved, and carried, that the Executive Committee (Directors) be authorized to make the necessary changes in the budget in connection with Library help.

S-273. It was reported that the Board of Education was seeking action on the ideas brought forward by leaders of educational institutions and President of the Board of Superintendents be supported through assessments on Churches. It was moved, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education be advised that this Board of Superintendents is opposed to the idea.

S-274. It was reported with regard to the Rev. Chester A. Wing, elected Synod for six years, with two more years to serve, that his Classis has now appointed a successor to him on the basis that Mr. Wing's five year term, as set by Classis has expired. It was moved and carried that this matter be referred to Dr. James for conference and clarification with the Classis of Bergen.

Greetings were delivered by Randall Bosch from Dr. I. J. Lubbers and Dr. Marion Van Velder both of Holland, Michigan.

The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. E. T. Jones.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Soeter, Secy. pro tem

January 20 and 21, 1958

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Hotel Berkeley-Carteret, Asbury Park, N. J., on January 20 and 21, 1958. The President of the Board, the Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp, called the meeting to order, following luncheon, at 2:30 P.M. on Monday, January 20, 1958. Dr. J. Harold Johnston acted as Secretary of the meeting. The Rev. Roger B. Juckett, Vice-President of the Board led in a short devotional service.

There were present:

The New Jersey Synod and Classes: Revs. Gerard C. Pool, Metropolitan; James B. Mulder, New Brunswick; Wilbur E. Ivins, Paramus; H. William Pyle, Passaic; Timothy A. Cramer, Philadelphia; Isaac C. Rottenberg, Raritan.

The New York Synod and Classes: Revs. Roger B. Juckett, Long Island, North; M. Paul Luther, Long Island, South; Ernest R. Palen, D. D., New York; George H. Winn, Orange; Franklin J. Hinkamp, Poughkeepsie; J. Dean Dykstra, Ulster; Elton J. Bruins, Westchester.

The Synod of Albany and Classes: Revs. Louis H. Chisman, Albany; Chester A. Moore, Columbia; Ernest Crounse, Montgomery; Benjamin J. Hoffman, Rochester; Chester C. Chilton, Saratoga; Arvin W. Roos, Schenectady; Cornelius Lepeltak, Schoharie.

The Synod of Chicago: Rev. Paul E. Ammerman; Synod of Michigan: Rev. George C. Douma.

At large: Revs. Donner Atwood, Edwin T. Jones, Harold H. Klein, Richard P. Mallery, Norman Thomas. Messrs. Arie Contant, Percy G. Craig, Gerrit Egedy, L. Russell Feakes, George B. Howell, J. Harold Johnston and Roger F. Murray, 2nd.

President of the Seminary: Rev. Dr. M. Stephen James
Alumni Association Representative: Rev. John J. Soeter

Those who had indicated previously their inability to attend were: Rev. Ralph H.

Cordes, (Iowa) Rev. Albert C. Freeman, (Newark), Rev. John W. Tysse, (Greene), Henry A. Vruwink (at large), Mr. Randall C. Bosch, (at large), Dr. Preston J. and Dr. Bernard J. Mulder.

The Chair introduced those who were attending a Board of Superintendents meeting for the first time. (The Revs. Cramer, Chilton, Lepeltak, Ammerman and Klein)

The Secretary presented the minutes of the previous meeting of the Board in New Brunswick on May 22, 1957 as previously distributed in mimeographed form.

S-275. The Rev. Dr. M. Stephen James, President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary, read his report for the current year. Upon motion, it was received and placed on file.

S-276. Mr. L. Russell Feakes, Treasurer of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, presented his report for the fiscal year, July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957, as well as for the six month period from July 1, 1957, together with December 31, 1957, balance sheet, schedule of investments, schedule of special funds and bequests, and auditors' report (Haskins and Sells) for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1957, as attached herewith. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that these reports be received and ordered placed on file.

S-277. The Treasurer presented a proposed tentative budget for the year 1958-59 as attached herewith, indicating expenses of \$129,300 and requiring \$68,500 in contributions from the churches to balance. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the budget for 1958-59 be approved as presented, with the understanding that it would be presented for review and final adoption at the May meeting of the Board.

S-278. The following three recommendations from the Executive Committee (Directors) were presented by the Secretary:

1. That room rentals for students be increased beginning in September, 1958 from \$37.00 to \$45.00, including utilities, per term, for unmarried students and from \$40.00 to \$45.00 per month for apartments for married students.
2. That President James be instructed to discuss the desirability of increasing tuition in the theological seminaries at the coming conference of the heads of educational institutions and with General Synod's Committee on Education.
3. That the Finance Committee be requested to study the desirability of including extended coverage in the insurance protection of the Seminary buildings.

After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the recommendations be adopted.

S-279. The Rev. Mr. Pool presented the report of the Committee on Promotion in mimeographed form as attached herewith. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be approved and the three recommendations be adopted.

S-280. It was moved, seconded and carried that a recess be taken at 5:15 P.M. so that meetings of Superintendents by Synods could be held before dinner.

S-281. The Rev. Mr. Wing, chairman of the Committee on Museum and Library, presented the report in mimeographed form, of the Faculty Committee on Library as attached herewith. After discussion, the report, upon motion, was received and ordered filed.

S-282. The Chair presented the mimeographed report of the Women's Auxiliary of the Seminary, as attached herewith. Upon motion, the report was received and ordered placed on file and the Secretary was instructed to write a letter of appreciation on

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of the Board to Mrs. Vernon H. Kooy, the Chairman.

S-283. A question as to whether or not a local church can receive credit toward contributions to the Seminary for gifts made by its women's organization to the Seminary's Women's Auxiliary was referred, upon motion, to the Finance Committee.

S-284. Dr. James pointed out that under the 1951 Plan of Reorganization, the Board of Superintendents nominate to General Synod individuals from its own membership for membership on the Executive Committee (Directors). Under the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, the term of office of a member of the Executive Committee (Directors) is six years and the terms must be so arranged that annually there are two vacancies, one a minister and one a layman. Thus, if a member of the Board of Superintendents is chosen for membership on the Executive Committee (Directors) whose unexpired term as a member of the Board of Superintendents has less than six years to run he cannot presumably serve a full term of six years on the Executive Committee (Directors) nor can he be reelected as a Superintendent in order to increase his term on its Executive Committee (Directors) as Superintendents are not eligible for reappointment, although Directors may be reelected. The Chair referred the matter to a special Committee composed of Mr. J. Harold Johnston, Chairman, Rev. Jones and Mr. Murray.

The hour of 5:15 having arrived, the Chair declared the meeting in recess until 8:00 P.M. The Rev. Mr. Soeter led in prayer.

The meeting reconvened at 8:20 P.M. with Mr. Hinkamp in the Chair. The Rev. George Winn led in devotions.

S-285. Mr. Craig reported verbally for the Committee on Grounds and Buildings that during the past year the new two-apartment building at the corner of Seminary Place and College Avenue, had been completed and was in use. No. 8 Bishop Place had come into possession of the Seminary and had been reconditioned before President and Mrs. James had moved in. No. 6 Bishop Place had been redecorated before the Rev. and Mrs. Eelman moved in. No. 2 Bishop Place had been improved, the older part of the library had been painted for the first time in thirty-two years and some work had been done in Hertzog Hall.

S-286. The Rev. Mr. Soeter reported verbally that the Alumni Association, active through its Council, was working toward a more active interest on its part of all alumni and that alumni contributions were being sought on a systematic basis.

S-287. The Rev. Mr. Pyle, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, reported that the Committee had met with the entering students on September 11th and was highly pleased with the quality of the new class. After examining the examination papers and theses, the Committee plans to meet individually with the students just before Commencement.

S-288. Dr. James reported that General Synod had appointed a Committee on the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary and organized theological training in America and that there would undoubtedly be some denominational recognition of the Anniversary. Each R.C.A. college would observe the event in its own way. He suggested that the Anniversary might offer an opportunity for the denomination to recognize the contribution the New Brunswick Seminary had made to the church by supplying funds, perhaps \$175,000, for the rehabilitation of Hertzog and Spydam Halls. There might be memorials on the campus (rooms or alcoves in the library, for instance) for Livingston, the first President of the Seminary, Dr. Zwemer or Dr. Cantine, 1959 will be the Anniversary of John Calvin and a Calvin memorial might be of interest to many people. Mr. Murray suggested that the Anniversary gave an excellent opportunity to announce a forward looking program in the academic field, including research grants, visiting professors, post-graduate fellowships, provision for publication of scholarly works, etc.

It was Mr. Murray's thought that if the Anniversary could be used as the focal point to reach the goal of \$1.00 per member per year in contributions toward the annual budget of the Seminary, the additional \$60,000 per year would give the funds for bricks and mortar in short order as well as for the forward program. It was his further suggestion that the budget for the Anniversary year be based upon the 100% contribution suggested and thereby show what could be accomplished.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the 175th Anniversary be observed in a way as to especially promote the dollar per member contribution from churches in the three Eastern Synods for the annual support of the Seminary.

S-289. In discussing the actual observance of the Anniversary on the part of the Seminary a number of suggestions were offered—a special convocation, a "work and life" stamp, and others. The Anniversary Committee, previously reported, is composed of Rev. Edwin T. Jones, Chairman, Rev. Donner Atwood, Rev. James B. Mulder and Mr. Johnston. Upon motion, the Committee was increased to nine members, with the suggestion that the President include several members of the Faculty in the additional appointments.

S-290. It was moved, seconded and carried that President James and the Faculty appoint a Special Gifts Committee to function under Dr. James to secure memorial gifts from the denomination at large in connection with the celebration of the Seminary's 175th Anniversary.

S-291. The Rev. Mr. Luther distributed in mimeograph form a questionnaire to the Committee on Professorate and Curriculum had prepared as well as a statement on religious education prepared by Mr. Luther.

The meeting recessed, upon motion, at 9:50 P.M., to reconvene at 9:00 A.M., January 21, 1958. The Rev. Donner Atwood led in prayer.

January 21, 1958

The meeting reconvened at 9:10 A.M. on Tuesday, January 21, 1958 with Mr. Hinkamp leading the devotions and presiding.

S-292. Mr. Johnston reported for the Special Committee appointed to consider the lack of uniformity in the terms of members of the Board of Superintendents who are likewise elected by General Synod as members of the Executive Committee (Directors) (S-239). It was the recommendation of the Committee that as the Executive Committee (Directors) was the legal body which conducted the business of the Seminary Corporation as the Board of Directors under the New Jersey law, and as the Corporation's charter provided that the Executive Committee (Directors) shall consist of six ministers and six laymen, each serving for a term of six years with the terms so arranged that "one seat of one sixth shall be vacant", the controlling term, should be that of membership on the Executive Committee (Directors). The Committee proposed, therefore, that the Plan of Reorganization be amended so that an individual elected to the Executive Committee (Directors) would become a member of the Board of Superintendents by virtue of his election to the Executive Committee (Directors) and would serve as a member of the Board of Superintendents during his term as a member of the Executive Committee (Directors). Under this proposal, when a member of the Board of Superintendents was nominated and elected to the Executive Committee (Directors), his term as an elected member of the Board of Superintendents would become vacant and be filled in the usual way. It was pointed out in the discussion that under the Plan of Reorganization, there is no limit on the number of terms a person can serve on the Executive Committee (Directors) whereas he is restricted to one consecutive six year term as a member of the

Board of Superintendents. After general discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed that the proposal be placed on the table. It was moved, seconded and passed that the committee be requested to continue to study the matter, together with suggestions for changes of other parts of the Plan of Reorganization, and to submit a report in writing to the members of the Board previous to the May meeting.

S-293. The Rev. Mr. Jones reported for the information of the Board that the committee on the observance of the 175th Anniversary of the Seminary had met and were thinking in terms of a one or two day convocation in New Brunswick late in May or early in June, with an academic procession participated in by delegates from other seminaries. An outstanding speaker at the convocation which maybe held in the Rutgers Gymnasium, with perhaps the awarding of an honorary degree by the University to be followed by perhaps several sessions addressed by equally outstanding individuals from such fields as science, sociology, labor, government, etc. Nation-wide publicity seemed indicated. Publication of some historical material and essays by members of the Faculty would give a permanent record of the celebration. It was believed that Professor Donald Cameron, who had served as the executive officer of the Rutgers University, 175th Anniversary Committee in 1951 would be willing to serve as an advisor to the Committee.

S-294. The Rev. Martin Paul Luther presented the report of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum, which, upon motion, was received and ordered placed on file. The recommendations of the Committee as contained in the report were acted upon by separate motion as follows:

1. That a leave of absence for the first term of the academic year, 1958-59 be granted to Professor Vander Kolk, Approved.
2. That in recognition of increasing responsibilities and duties entailed in discharging his office as Dean of the Seminary, \$250 be paid to Dr. Hugh B. MacLean for 1957-58.
3. That beginning with the year 1958-59, the sum of \$500 be paid yearly as compensation to Dr. MacLean for services rendered as Dean of the Seminary.

S-295. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board instruct the Committee on Professorate and Curriculum to study and recommend a plan for a sabbatical leave of absence program.

S-296. Dr. James reported that Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, consultant to, and honorary member of the Board had suggested that a special three or four day meeting of the Board or an interim commission be held to survey and study the curriculum of the Seminary. Other assignments suggested by Dr. James might be the exploration of ideas with respect to post-graduate fellowship, publications, research, visiting professors, continuation education of ministers, etc., all looking toward the announcement at the 175th of a forward advance. The suggestion was referred to Dr. James and Mr. Murray with the request that they report at the May meeting of the Board.

S-297. The Rev. Ernest R. Palen presented the following resolution which, upon motion, was adopted:

Recognizing the basic and traditional position of the Reformed Church relative to the responsibility for the preparation of an educated ministry for the Reformed Church and

Recognizing the necessity for more adequate preparation of our ministers to meet the financial, moral, intellectual and spiritual problems of our new age,

We recommend that the Board of Superintendents refer the following matters to the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum:

1. The enlargement of the courses offered by our Seminary for the preparation of students for the ministry.
2. The inclusion in our Seminary curriculum of courses of advance study looking to the earning of advanced degrees in the area of theological studies for ministers of our own and other churches.
3. The question of a larger investment in their own education of our Seminary students

in terms of a more adequate and realistic tuition.

S-298. The Rev. Mr. Juckett reported that at a meeting held yesterday afternoon the Superintendents from the classes in the Particular Synod of New York offered the following recommendations: Conduct a seminar or retreat at the Seminary for the leaders, elders, church school superintendents, directors of religious education, of the churches in the Particular Synods, with an afternoon session devoted to education, churchmanship, church administration, etc. followed by dinner and a presentation of the needs of the Seminary. Guided tours of the campus, in small groups with a student as the guide, would be an important part of the visit.

S-299. The Rev. Mr. Dykstra presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Being mindful of the labor and good influence of elders and laymen of the Board of Superintendents, especially in our financial concerns, in the maintenance of physical properties and in their keen attentions to academic concerns, we desire in season to voice our gratitude and to make their dedication to the cause of the Kingdom their efforts for the New Brunswick Seminary.

S-300. On motion of the Rev. Mr. Dykstra, duly seconded and carried, the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum was requested to determine the reasons which led the Board to establish the present tuition of \$50.00 per year and to report on the matter at the next meeting of the Board.

S-301. It was moved, seconded and carried that, in consultation with Mr. Contant, the Finance Committee be authorized to secure extended coverage on the Seminary buildings (S-278).

S-302. The Rev. Dr. Palen presented the following nominations on behalf of the Committee on Nominations for Committee memberships:

Committee on Students and Examinations

H. William Pyle, Chairman
Paul E. Ammerman
Elton J. Bruins
Arie Contant

Wilbur E. Ivins
Chester A. Moore
Isaac C. Rottenberg

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum

Martin Paul Luther, Chairman
Franklin J. Hinkamp
Edwin Thomas Jones
Roger B. Juckett

Richard P. Mallery
Roger F. Murray, 2nd
Norman E. Thomas

Committee on Library

Donner B. Atwood, Chairman
Louis B. Chisman
Timothy A. Cramer
A. C. Freeman

Benjamin J. Hoffman
Cornelius Lepeltak
Arvin W. Roos

Committee on Promotion

Gerard C. Pool, Chairman
Chester C. Chilton
Stanley R. Crocker

Ernest Crounse
J. Dean Dykstra
Henry H. Klein

Committee on Nominations

George H. Winn, Jr., Chairman
Louis H. Chisman
Ralph R. H. Cordes
George C. Douma

Gerrit Egedy
James F. Hill
Edwin Thomas Jones

Upon motion, all of the above nominations were approved.

S-303. Dr. Palen presented the following nominations for recommendation to

General Synod (1958) for election to the Executive Committee (Directors):
 To fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Chester A. Wing in the Class of 1961--
 the Rev. Dr. Ernest R. Palen.
 To fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Henry A. Vruwink in the Class of 1960--
 the Rev. Roger B. Juckett.
 To the terms expiring in 1964 (in place of Mr. A. A. Buzzi and the Rev. M. Paul
 Luther whose terms expire)--Mr. Carl L. Cleaver of New York and the Rev. Richard P.
 Mallery. (Note: The Rev. Richard P. Mallery is already a member of the Executive Com-
 mittee (Directors) by election by General Synod. This error should be corrected at the
 May meeting by another nomination.)
 Upon motion, all of the above nominations were approved.

S-304. Dr. Palen presented the following nominations for membership-at-large
 upon the Board of Superintendents:
 Mr. Arie Contant, Class of 1964, succeeding himself.
 Mr. Carl L. Cleaver, Class of 1964, succeeding Mr. A. A. Buzzi.
 Upon motion, the nominations were approved.

S-305. Dr. Palen presented the following for officers of the Board of Super-
 intendents:
 President: Rev. Roger B. Juckett
 Vice-President: Rev. J. Dean Dykstra
 There were no other nominations. Upon motion duly made seconded and carried, these
 individuals were elected to the indicated office.

S-306. The Rev. Mr. Hinkamp expressed appreciation for the cooperation which
 had been extended to him during the past year. The Rev. Mr. Juckett assumed the Chair
 and closed the meeting with prayer, following a motion to adjourn at 11:25 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Harold Johnston,
 Secretary

May 21, 1958

The duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held in the Sage
 Library, New Brunswick Theological Seminary on Wednesday, May 21, 1958. The President
 of the Board, the Rev. Roger B. Juckett, called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. The
 Rev. Edwin T. Jones offered prayer. The Rev. Elton J. Bruins was appointed Secretary
 in the absence of the Secretary.

There were present: the Revs. Wilbur E. Ivins (Paramus), Elton J. Bruins
 (Westchester), Chester A. Moore (Columbia), George H. Winn (Orange), Timothy A. Cramer
 (Philadelphia), Harold H. Klein, Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady), Richard P. Mallery
 (North Long Island), Ralph Cordes (P.S. Iowa), J. Dean Dykstra (Ulster), Donner B. Atwood,
 Melvius Lepeltak (Schoharie), Edwin T. Jones, Martin Paul Luther, James B. Mulder (New
 Brunswick), Norman A. Thomas, Franklin J. Hinkamp (Poughkeepsie), H. William Pyle (Passaic),
 Am J. Soeter; Messrs. Randall C. Bosch, George B. Howell, Percy G. Craig, L. Russell
 Jones and Arie Contant.

The Rev. Runyon L. Wolff was seated as the temporary representative of the
 Schenectady.

The minutes of the January, 1958 meeting were approved as distributed.

The order of the day was set for presentation of the graduating class by the

Committee on Students and Examinations at 3:30 P.M., and members of the
4:00 P.M.

S-307. Mr. L. Russell Feakes gave the Treasurer's report. The report
adopted.

Mr. Feakes presented the proposed budget for the year ending June 30,
1959. Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, it was moved and seconded
to adopt the budget. Following discussion, an amendment was made and approved
to increase the President's salary to \$8,000.00. The revised budget was adopted.

S-308. Mr. Martin Paul Luther made the report on the professorate,
regarding Mr. James Eelman;

"Your Committee on Professorate recommends that the Board of Superintendents
place in nomination before the General Synod of 1958 the name of
James C. Eelman for election to the office of Professor of Theology at the New
Brunswick Theological Seminary as Librarian in charge of the Gardner A. Sage Library
to serve as the John S. Bussing Professor of Preaching and Pastoral Theology
at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary." It was approved.

In regards to Mr. Peter N. Vanden Berge:

"Your Committee recommends that the Board of Superintendents place in nomination
before the General Synod of 1958, the name of the Rev. Peter N. Vanden
Berge for election to the office of Professor of Theology at the New
Brunswick Theological Seminary as Librarian in charge of the Gardner A. Sage Library
with full faculty status." It was moved, seconded, and approved.

The motion was made, seconded, and approved that the matter of the
President's salary be referred to the Executive Committee.

S-309. The report was interrupted for the report of Dean MacLean. Dean
Hugh B. MacLean recommended that the following receive the Professorial Certificate:

Donald R. Baird, Robert J. Block, William W. Coventry, Harold J. Goldring,
Herman Harmelink, III, Jonathan J. Hinkamp, Johan F. Hoekstra, John W. Young,
Patrick R. Vostello, Joseph L. Vredenburg, John R. Young and Peter F. Young.

He recommended that the following be awarded the B. D. degree:

Donald R. Baird, Robert J. Block, William W. Coventry, Harold J. Goldring,
Herman Harmelink, III, Jonathan J. Hinkamp, Johan F. Hoekstra, John W. Young,
Patrick R. Vostello, Joseph L. Vredenburg, John R. Young, Klaus W. Lobisch,
Albert L. McKickle, Jr. and Homer E. Tricules.

The Committee on Examinations concurred in the recommendation. The
recommendations were moved, seconded and adopted.

Dr. M. Stephen James then presented the Class of 1958 to the Board
of Superintendents. President Juckett spoke to the members, and offered prayer on
behalf. Following the presentation of the Class of 1958, the Committee on Professorate
resumed its report.

Their final recommendation was "That the Committee be empowered to continue
its study of the Christian Education professorate." This was moved, seconded
and approved. The report was received as a whole.

At 4:00 P.M. Dr. James presented the Faculty.

S-310. Dr. Hugh B. MacLean presented the annual report of the Faculty. The report was received and approved. Mr. Vanden Berge and Mr. Melman spoke.

S-311. The Chair appointed Edwin T. Jones, James Mulder, and Richard Mallery to write a resolution on the passing of Dr. A. L. Warnshuis. It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the resolution.

S-312. It was moved by Dr. James, seconded and approved, that the Secretary greet us to Mrs. Warnshuis, and to inform her that the presence of Dr. Warnshuis had been sorely missed at this, our first meeting since his death.

S-313. It was moved, seconded and approved, that the resolution in recognition of Dr. Warnshuis be read at the Alumni Meeting on Thursday, May 22, 1958.

S-314. It was moved, seconded and approved, that the action of the Board in regard to the questionnaire sent by mail to the Board Members be approved. This resolution authorized the Seminary to be associated with the presentation of capital needs through the unified budget of the Stewardship Council. It was approved.

S-315. It was noted that Rev. Richard P. Mallery had been elected to the Executive Committee (Directors) by General Synod of 1957. His name, therefore, was mistakenly included by our Nominating Committee at our January meeting. In correcting this error a revised list of names was approved for nomination to General Synod of 1958 for election:

For election to the Board as Members At Large:

Mr. Arie Contant, Class of 1964, to succeed himself, and Mr. Carl L. Cleaver, Class of 1964, to succeed Mr. A. A. Buzzi; and the Rev. Robert G. Dickson to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Henry A. Vruwink, Class of 1960.

For election to the Executive Committee (Directors):

The Rev. Dr. Ernest R. Palen, to fill unexpired term of the Rev. Chester A. Wing, Class of 1961.

The Rev. Roger B. Juckett, to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Dr. Henry A. Vruwink, Class of 1960.

Mr. George B. Howell for a six year term, Class of 1964, and

The Rev. Robert G. Dickson, Class of 1964

S-316. It was moved that the President of the Board of Superintendents and Vice-President of the Executive Committee (Directors) appoint a committee to study the procedures for securing an incumbent to the Presidency of the Seminary upon the resignation of Dr. James, who is due for retirement in 1959. This was seconded and approved.

S-317. Mr. Cornelius Lepeltak reported for the Library Committee recommended:

1. That the Board of Superintendents request the Committee on Buildings and Grounds to act upon the repairing or replacing the roof on the new section of the Library and the pointing up of the masonry of the old section.
2. That an immediate study be made by that Committee in close cooperation with the Librarian and the Faculty Committee on Library to the end that there might be established a long term program of renovation, and improvement of the Library's physical assets.

3. That there be established a list of rehabilitation projects in the of need, and that the same Committee be authorized to secure the services needed to implement them.

These were moved, seconded and approved.

S-318. It was moved and seconded that a committee be appointed by the to investigate the tuition fees of the Seminary and amount of prize monies that are annually awarded. It was approved.

Since Mr. Mallery and Mr. Mulder were not able to formulate the resolution on Dr. Warnshuis, the Rev. Edwin T. Jones, Dr. Norman Thomas and Rev. Hinkamp were appointed to write the resolution.

S-319. It was moved, seconded and approved, that the Secretary write a of congratulation to Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo for being honored as Church of the

S-320. The motion was made, seconded and approved, to adjourn. Mr. Harry Klein closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Elton J. Bruins
Secretary pro tem.

January 19 and 20, 1959

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Hotel Berkeley-Carteret, Asbury Park, N. J. on January 19 and 20, 1959. The President of the Board, the Rev. Roger B. Juckett, called the meeting to order, following luncheon, at 2:05 P.M. on Monday, January 19, 1959 and led in a short devotional service. Mr. J. Harold Johnston acted as Secretary of the meeting.

There were present:

The Synod of New Jersey and Classes: Revs. W. Carmen Trembath, (Berren); Gerard C. Pool, (Metropolitan New Jersey); Leonard A. Jones, (New Brunswick); Delbert J. Kinney, (Passaic); Timothy A. Cramer, (Philadelphia); and Robert T. Marsh, (Raritan).

The Synod of New York and Classes: Revs. Roger B. Juckett, (Long Island N.Y.); Ernest R. Palen, (New York); George H. Winn, (Orange); Harold Ver Berkmoes, (Poughkeepsie); J. Dean Lykstra, (Ulster); and Elton J. Bruins, (Westchester).

The Synod of Albany and Classes: Revs. Louis H. Chisman (Albany); Chester A. Moore, (Columbia); H. Paul Morehouse, (Greene); Ernest Grounse, (Montgomery); Chester C. Chilton, (Saratoga); Runyon L. Wolff, (Schenectady); and Cornelius Lepeltak, (Schoharie).

The Synod of Iowa: The Rev. Ralph M. Cordes.

The Synod of Michigan: The Rev. George C. Douma.

Members at Large: The Revs. Robert G. Dickson, Edwin T. Jones,

Richard P. Maller . Mess . Carl . Cleaver, Percy C. Craig, Gerald Eedy,
Russell Feakes, George B. Powell, . Harold Johnston and Roger F. Murray, 2nd.

President of the Seminary: The Rev. Dr. M. Stephen James.
Secretary of the Board of Education: The Rev. Dr. Bernard J. Mulder.

Those who had indicated in advance their inability to attend were the Revs.
Donner B. Atwood, At Large; M. Gosselink, Long Island, S; and Norman E. Thomas.
e: Messrs. Randall C. Bosch and Arie Contant. (Minute amended at May 20 meet
the Rev. Wilbur Ivins.)

The Chair introduced those who were attending for the first time: The Rev. Robert Dickson,
A. Jones, succeeding the Rev. James B. Mulder; Rev. John J. Soeter, succeeding
Rev. John J. Soeter; the Rev. Delbert Kinney, completing term of Dr. H. Wm. Pyle;
Robert Marsh completing term of the Rev. Isaac Rottenberg; the Rev. H. Paul
Classis of Greene; Rev. W. Carman Trembath, succeeding the Rev.
A. Wing; Rev. Harold Ver Berkmoes, succeeding Rev. Franklin J. Hinkamp; Rev.
D. Wolff, completing the term of the Rev. Arwin W. Roos; and Mr. Carl L.
Cleaver, succeeding Mr. A. A. Buzzi. The only new member not present was the Rev.
G. Gosselink, who succeeded the Rev. M. Paul Luther as the representative of the
Classis of Long Island, South.

The Chair announced for the record that General Synod had elected the follow-
to the Executive Committee: Rev. Ernest Palen, to fill the unexpired term of
Gerard A. Wing; Rev. Roger B. Juckett to fill the term of Rev. Henry Vruwink; Rev.
Robert . Dickson to succeed Rev. M. Paul Luther for a six year term and Mr. George B.
Howell to succeed Mr. A. A. Buzzi for a six year term.

The Secretary presented the minutes of the previous meeting of the Board
in New Brunswick on May 21, 1958, which had been distributed in mimeographed form
in mail. No corrections or additions had been noted. It was moved, seconded and carried
that the minutes of the May 21, 1958, meeting be approved as submitted.

S-321. The Rev. Dr. M. Stephen James, President of the Seminary, read his report
for the year, a copy of which is attached herewith. It was moved, seconded and carried
that the report be received with deep appreciation.

S-322. The Secretary, in reporting for the Executive Committee (Directors) read
those portions of the minutes of the Committee's meeting held on January 8, 1959, not
pertaining to matters which would be reported separately to the Board. Upon motion,
the report was received.

S-323. The Rev. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion, presented
the report of that Committee as attached herewith. Upon motion, it was received. In
the discussion which followed, it was pointed out by Drs. James and Mulder that there
is no conflict between the effort of the Seminary to secure contributions on the basis
of \$1.00 per member from churches in the three eastern Synods and the Stewardship
Council's comprehensive program. Under the Stewardship Council, gifts for designated
purposes, such as the Seminary, will continue to be solicited and all designations will
be scrupulously observed. The \$1.00 per member is a helpful device to assist the
Seminary in raising its operating budget and is so recognized and encouraged by the
Council. Each agency will receive its share of undesignated funds through the Steward-
ship Council toward meeting the difference, if any, between the total received from
designations and the operating budget requirements as previously approved by the Council.
After changing the date of Seminary Sunday to October 30, 1960, the four recommendations
of the Committee's report were, upon motion, adopted.

Mr. George B. Howell, Chairman, read the report of the Committee on Buildings.
Upon motion, it was received, as attached herewith. Several members com-
mented about the increasingly observable improvements in both the buildings

and grounds of the Seminary.

S-325. The Secretary read the report as attached herewith of the President Treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary for the year of 1958. In receiving the report the Board, upon motion, instructed the Secretary to express the Board's appreciation to the Women's Auxiliary for the most helpful and substantial gifts of money and time they have contributed toward making the Seminary buildings more and comfortable places in which the students study and live.

S-326. The Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr. newly appointed representative of the on the Board of Superintendents made a brief, verbal report.

S-327. Dr. Murray called the Board's attention to the fact that the term of L. Russell Feakes as a member of the Board expires on December 31, 1959 and that he had served a full six year term, he was not eligible, under the Plan of Reorganization, for reelection to the Board. As Treasurer of the Seminary during the past few years, Mr. Feakes had completely reorganized and modernized the Seminary's bookkeeping and accounting procedures and had inaugurated a system of reporting to the Board of Superintendents and Executive Committee (Directors) which had been of the greatest value. His office was in New Brunswick thus expediting the signing of checks and the supervision of bookkeeping transactions in the Seminary office and, as a director of a local bank and as an officer of his company, he had ready access to financial information pertaining to investments. Dr. Murray thought it highly important that Mr. Feakes continue as Treasurer of the Seminary but as under the Plan of Reorganization the Treasurer must be a member of the Board of Superintendents, this would not be possible after December 31, 1959.

S-328. Dr. Murray presented several proposed amendments to the Plan of Reorganization designed to permit the election by the Board of a non-Board member as Treasurer and, after his election, to have him serve, with the approval of General Synod, as an ex-officio member of both the Board of Superintendents and the Executive Committee (Directors) by reason of his holding the office of Treasurer. The proposal was strongly supported but in the discussion it became apparent that at least one other section of the Plan would likewise require amendment. It was moved, seconded and carried that the proposal to recommend to General Synod that the Plan of Reorganization be amended as stated above be approved, that this discussion be deemed to meet the prior notice of the proposed amendments provision of Article XI of the Plan of Reorganization and that the Secretary be instructed to prepare, in consultation with Drs. Murray and James, a draft of such amendments for submission to the Board at its May meeting.

S-329. Dr. Murray commented upon the fact that there was no memorial at the Seminary for the Rev. Dr. John H. Livingston, who, just 175 years ago, had been elected the first professor of theology by the Dutch Church in America, and thus established the Seminary. He also noted that, under Article VII of the Plan of Reorganization, the President of the Seminary is also a member of the Faculty but that no chair had been heretofore specifically provided for the individual occupying the office of President. Therefore, he moved that the Board of Superintendents petition General Synod to establish the John H. Livingston, D.D. Professor of Theology, to be held only by such individuals as hold the office of President of the Seminary. The motion was seconded and, after discussion, unanimously adopted.

S-330. Dr. Murray further reminded the Board that Dr. Livingston had likewise been the minister of the Dutch Church in New York City from 1770 to 1810 and that by action of the Consistory of the Collegiate Church in 1823, the College had been placed under bond to make an annual contribution toward the operating expenses of the

Currently, this sum was \$3,600 per year. He moved that the annual grant of the Collegiate Church be applied toward the support of the John H. Livingston Professor of Theology. The motion was seconded and, after discussion, was unanimously carried. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary be instructed to instruct the Clerk of the Consistory of the Collegiate Church in New York City of this.

S-331. At this point, the Chair requested Dr. James to suggest that it would be most appropriate to name one of the extraordinary things Dr. James had given the Seminary since his election as President in 1953, he be named the first John H. Livingston Professor of Theology. Mention was made of the fact that Dr. James had vacated the John S. Bussing Professor of Pastoral Theology and that Mr. Belman had been named to succeed him in that position. After discussion, it was moved by the Rev. Dr. Ernest R. Palen, seconded and carried that the Rev. Dr. M. Stephen James, President of the Seminary, be named the John H. Livingston Professor of Theology at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. At the request of the Chair, Dr. Murray escorted Dr. James into the room and told him of the above action of the Board in a few appropriate words, followed by the rising and applause of the Board. Dr. James was visibly affected by the demonstration of regard and affection and briefly indicated his appreciation.

S-332. In the absence of the Rev. Donner B. Atwood, Chairman of the Committee on Library, the report of the Faculty Library Committee as attached herewith was presented and discussed. Mr. Howell stated that the Buildings and Grounds Committee was continuing its efforts to locate the leak in the roof between the old building and new wing, and it was hoped that if the blueprints of the wing could be located, a clue about the source of the leak could be found. The Secretary stated that the Executive Committee (Directors) had authorized the employment of Miss Alice Epink on a full time basis for the period February 1 to June 30, 1959 (D-297) as requested by the Faculty and, after agreeing that more library staff time was highly desirable and observing that, with other graver needs, some priorities would have to be determined, had referred the request for another full time library staff person beginning July 1, 1959, to the Finance Committee. Upon motion, the suggestions of Dr. Russell Van Horn for the improvement of the physical facilities of the library were referred to the Executive Committee (Directors) with the request that a start be made on the renovation program as soon as funds could be made available for the purpose.

The hour of 5:10 P.M. having arrived, the meeting recessed for meetings of the chairmanships, respectively of Messrs. Crouse (Albany), Pool, Juckett (New York). The Rev. Mr. Klein closed the session with prayer.

The meeting reconvened, following dinner, at 8:05 P.M. with the Rev. Mr. Juckett in the chair. The Rev. Mr. Louis Chisman led the devotions.

S-333 Mr. L. Russell Feakes, the Treasurer, presented his detailed report as attached herewith covering the fiscal year July 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958 including income and expense statements, balance sheet, endowment funds, special funds and schedule of investments, together with a statement from the certified public account-firm of Haskins and Sells that they had audited the Seminary books for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958 and found them to be in good order. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Treasurer's report for 1957-58 be received and that a vote of appreciation be extended to the Treasurer and to all the Committee members and individuals who, through the years, had labored zealously to bring about the happy situation reflected in the financial report for the year which closed on June 30, 1958.

S-334. Mr. Feakes presented a proposed budget for the year July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1960 as attached herewith and as recommended by the Executive Committee.

(Directors) (D-290), calling for expenditure of \$150,700 in contributions from churches to balance. It had been the ship Council as a working basis for the coming year. While it is more for salaries than the budget for 1957-58, it did not make provision for position in the Library. In the discussion which followed, Dr. Murray pointed out that the time was close at hand when serious consideration should be given to advancing the academic interests of the Seminary. He mentioned five: relieving faculty members of non-academic duties, providing funds for research, relieving by faculty members and others, strengthening the offerings in religious education, improving the supervision of student field work and increasing the service of the Library.

S-335. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee on the Library and the Professorate jointly study the report of the Faculty Library Committee and report their findings at the May meeting of the Board of Superintendents.

S-336. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the budget for 1958-59 as presented by the Treasurer and Executive Committee (Directors) be adopted as the working basis for that year subject to resubmission for final adoption at the May, 1959 meeting of the Board of Superintendents.

The meeting recessed, by motion, at 9:40 P.M. The Rev. Ernest Crouse closed the meeting with prayer.

January 20, 1959

The meeting reconvened at 9:15 A.M. on Tuesday, January 20, 1959, with Rev. Roger B. Juckett in the Chair. The Rev. J. Dean Dykstra led the devotions.

S-337. The Rev. Richard P. Mallery, Chairman of the Committee on Professional Instruction and Curriculum presented the following two recommendations. After discussion, and upon motion in each instance, the recommendations were adopted.

1. In response to the request of the members of the faculty that a policy be established by the Board of Superintendents to regulate the acceptance on the part of the faculty of speaking engagements other than those in connection with their responsibilities to the boards or agencies of the Church, your Committee recommends that such engagements should not entail a total absence from classes for more than a five day week during the academic year for any one member of the faculty with the exception of its president whose responsibilities require considerable travel and speaking engagements in behalf of the Seminary.

2. Your Committee recommends that a special committee be appointed by the faculty to study the funds available for graduate study and that their findings be publicized with a view to encouraging graduate study on the part of students and for the purpose of attracting others who are looking for such opportunities.

S-338. Mr. Mallery presented the following report from the Committee on Professorate: Your Committee has reviewed the matter which was referred to in the President's report as "A Regrettable Incident" and found ourselves in full accord with the letter which was sent by the faculty to the Glassis in question but at this time has no recommendation to offer the Board of Superintendents because the matter is now in the hands of the Courts of the Church. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received.

S-339. The Rev. Edwin Thomas Jones, Chairman of the Committee on the selection of a candidate to succeed Dr. James as Seminary President upon his approaching retirement reported for the Committee. His full report is filed with the minutes.

reported upon the Committee's consideration of the necessary functions and abilities of the office of President, the consideration of possible candidates within and outside the present Faculty. He indicated the Faculty as a body and with the members individually Faculty knowledge and approval of any proposed no

He then indicated the steps and considerations by which the Committee had arrived at the decision to present the name of the Rev. Howard G. Hageman as a candidate for the office of President of the Seminary. He reviewed Dr. Hageman's distinguished academic record, his service as Minister and the respect received both within and beyond our denomination. Beyond those considerations, he mentioned Dr. Hageman's close acquaintance with the Seminary through his service

Mr. Jones closed by presenting the Committee's recommendation that the Board of Superintendents nominate to General Synod the Rev. Howard G. Hageman for the election as President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary and Livingston Professor of Theology.

It was moved, seconded, and after appreciative discussion, carried that the report be received and that a secret, written ballot be taken upon the recommendation of the Secretary and the Rev. Dr. Palen served as tellers. After distributing, collecting and counting the ballots they reported that thirty-four members were present and that all thirty-four had voted in favor.

S-340. During the giving of the above report and the balloting, Dr. James had asked to be excused from the meeting. Upon his return he was informed of the Board's action. He then spoke in the highest terms of Dr. Hageman, whom he had known from Dr. Hageman's childhood. Mr. Jones said that Dr. Vander Kolk, on behalf of the Faculty, had requested him to express to the Board, the Faculty's high regard, respect and affection for Dr. James and the joy they had had in working with him as a colleague. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board record its deep appreciation of the work of Dr. James, all the Faculty and all the officers for their able guidance of the affairs of the Seminary.

S-341. It was moved, seconded and carried, that, following each meeting of the Executive Committee (Directors) the Secretary mail to the members of the Board of Superintendents copies of the minutes of the meeting.

S-342. Dr. Murray reported that members of the Finance and Buildings and Grounds Committees had had an opportunity following the session of the previous afternoon to examine the estimates of cost to implement the Van Horn (S-332) suggestions for the improvement of Library facilities prepared by the architectural firm of Woerner and Woerner. Except for a new heating plant, the recommendations could all be carried out room by room or section by section. He stated that there was about \$6,000 currently available in the reserve for buildings improvement and he was hopeful that contributions from the churches would continue to run ahead of budget needs for the current fiscal year. Therefore, he moved that if, in the judgment of the Treasurer, the financial condition of the Seminary was such that funds up to \$6,000 could be made available during the current fiscal year, the Executive Committee (Directors) be authorized to make such funds available to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds for the purpose of improving the physical facilities of the Library and that, in addition, the balance of \$6,000 in the current reserve account for buildings improvement and repairs be allocated for the Library. The motion was seconded, discussed and carried.

S-343. The Rev. George L. Winn, Jr. presented the following nominations on behalf of the Committee on Nominations for Committee Memberships:

Committee on Students and Examinations

Wilbur E. Ivinis, Chairman
 Elton J. Bruins
 Robert G. Dickson
 Gerrit Egedy

Albert C. Freeman
 Chester A. Freeman
 Harold Ver Berkenbos

Committee on Curriculum

Richard P. Mallery, Chairman
 Carl L. Cleaver
 Lee L. Kester
 H. Paul Morehouse

Ernest R. Palen
 Roger A. Juckett
 Norman E. Thomas

Committee on Library

Donner B. Atwood, Chairman
 Louis W. Chisman
 Leonard A. Jones
 Cornelius Lebelak

Robert T. Larr
 Runyon L. Wolff
 W. Garman Trembath

Committee on Promotion

Gerard C. Pool, Chairman
 Chester C. Chilton
 Arie Contant
 Timothy A. Cramer

George B. Howell
 Harold W. Klein
 Delbert L. Kinney

Committee on Nominations

George H. Winn, Chairman
 Ralph H. Cordes
 Percy G. Craig

James J. Will
 Lee L. Kester, Jr.
 Chester A. Moore

Upon motion, all of the above nominations were approved.

S-344. Mr. Winn presented nominees for Members at Large of the Board of Superintendents but the Chair pointed out that the number was not in accord with the requirements of the Plan of Reorganization which calls for eighteen Members at Large, at least twelve of whom must be laymen. As the terms of the Rev. Edwin T. Jones and Messrs. Crocker, Feakes, Murray and Rylance expire on December 31, 1959, there is need to nominate one minister and four laymen to General Synod for election to terms of six years each. He called for nominations for the minister Member at Large. The names of the Revs. Alyle Schutter and Raymond Pontier were placed in nomination, and upon motion, the nominations were closed. A written ballot was taken with the Secretary and the Rev. Dr. Palen as tellers. The Rev. Dr. Schutter received the larger number of votes and was declared nominated to General Synod.

S-345. The Chair called for nominations for lay Members at Large. The following names were placed in nomination:

Howard C. Shepherd
 Horace Bayler
 Robert Thomas
 Roy E. Helgesen

It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary be instructed to cast a ballot for each of them for nomination to General Synod for election, each as a member at large for a period of six years. This was done and the Chair declared them duly nominated.

S-346. The Rev. Winn moved that the Executive Committee (Directors) be requested to select nominees for the Executive Committee (to succeed the Revs. Jones and

ssrs. Feakes and Murray whose terms as Superintendents expire on December 31, 1959 and to present the names for confirmation by the Board at the May meeting. was seconded and passed.

S-347. It was moved, seconded and carried that it be the policy of the Board of Superintendents that the phrase in Article II, Section 1, which states, "but no Superintendent shall serve consecutively for more than six years except those who are re-elected because of their official position" shall be construed as not more than a total of six years in all, either in the completion of one or more terms or otherwise. The motion was seconded and carried. It was pointed out that the same section of the Plan provides for the expiration of the term of service may be filled by the Board of Superintendents as the case may be. In his view, this wording ruled out what seemed to be the unexpired part of the term of electing for a full six year term the replacement.

The matter was referred to the Executive Committee (Directors) with the request that it make recommendations to the Board of Superintendents concerning possible amendments to the Plan of Reorganization or adoption of rules of order.

S-348. Mr. Winn presented the following for officers of the Board of Superintendents:

- President: Rev. Norman E. Thomas
- Vice-President: Rev. Donner B. Atwood
- Secretary: (for a three year term) J. Harold Johnston
- Treasurer: (for a three year term) L. Russell Feakes

Inquiry was made concerning the status of the Rev. J. Dean Dykstra, currently Vice-President of the Board. Mr. Dykstra asked permission to leave the room which was granted. Mr. Winn stated that, according to the Committee's records, Mr. Dykstra's term as a member of the Board expired in 1959 and therefore, as he was not eligible to succeed himself on the Board, he could not be advanced to the Presidency. A question was asked about the total length of service of Mr. Dykstra on the Board. Mr. Winn came back from him, through Dr. James, that he had served six consecutive years. Mr. Dykstra was called back into the room. There were no further nominations from the floor. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted and that the Secretary cast one vote for the slate. This was done and the Chair declared them duly elected to the indicated offices.

Mr. Dykstra expressed his appreciation for the privilege he had had in serving on the Board for the past six years and Mr. Juckett expressed his thanks for the support and cooperation he had received during his term of office.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned, upon motion, at 12:10 P.M. Dr. James closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Harold Johnston
Secretary

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May 20, 1959

The regular Spring meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New

Theological Seminary was held at the Gardner Sage Library on May 20, 1959. President of the Board, the Reverend Norman Thomas, called the meeting at 2:05 p.m. The opening prayer was lifted to the Almighty on behalf of the Seminary, Dr. M. Stephen James. In the absence of the Secretary, the Reverend Mr. Donner B. Atwood, was appointed clerk pro-tempore.

Those present were:

The Synod of New Jersey and Classes: the Revs. Leonard A. Jones (New W. Carmen Trembath (Bergen); Robert T. Marsh (Paritan); P. C. Craig (Metuchen); Albert C. Freeman (Newark); Wilbur D. Ivins (Paramus);

The Synod of New York and Classes: Revs. Roger B. Juckett (Long Beach) and T. George H. Winn (Orange); Gordon H. Curtis (South Long Island); Elton J. Ruess (Westchester); Ernest R. Palen (New York); Dean Dykstra (Ulster);

The Synod of Albany and Classes: Revs. Louis H. Chisman (Albany); Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga); Runyon Wolff (Schenectady); Cornelius Lepeltak (Schoharie); H. Paul Morehouse (Greene); Chester A. Moore (Columbia);

The Particular Synod of Chicago: Reverend Wilbur T. Washington;

Members at Large: The Revs. Robert G. Dickson, George B. Howell, Randa Bosch, Gerrit Egedy, Harold W. Klein, Arie Contant, Edwin Thomas Jones, Richard Mallery, D. B. Atwood, Norman Edwin Thomas;

The President of the Seminary, Dr. M. Stephen James
The Treasurer of the Seminary, Mr. L. Russell Peakes
Reverend Lee Kester, Jr., representing the Alumni

Dr. James reported that he had received prior to the meeting notification of inability to attend the meeting from the following, and therefore they were excused:

Dr. B. J. Mulder, Dr. Preston J. Stegenga, Rev. Harold Ver Berkmoes, Messrs. Roger F. Murray, 2nd, J. Harold Johnston and Stanley Crocker.

It was reported by one of the members that Reverend Delbert Kinney (Passaic) had been hospitalized unexpectedly the previous day, and prayers for his welfare were requested.

New members who were officially welcomed for the first time to the Board were Reverend Mr. Gordon Curtis (South Long Island) and Reverend Wilbur T. Washington (Particular Synod of Chicago).

Reverend Dr. Marion deVelder, President of the General Synod, was present. It was regularly moved, seconded and passed that he be made a corresponding member for this meeting.

The President of the Board announced that the minutes of the previous meeting had been distributed by mail and asked for corrections or additions. Dr. James noted that a correction should be made to the effect that the Reverend Wilbur Ivins was excused from the previous meeting rather than absent. Motion duly made and seconded as amended. Passed.

Dr. James made several announcements regarding the Order of the Day, including the schedule for receiving the Class of 1959 and the Faculty distribution of travel vouchers, the Baccalaureate Service of the evening, plans for the graduation exercises and the 175th Luncheon and Alumni Meeting on May 21st.

S-349. The Reverend Richard P. Mallory presented the Report of the Presidency. See Exhibit A appended to file copy for the content of the report. The Committee presented the following recommendations:

1. That since Dr. H. Stephen James, President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary, having served from 1942 to 1953 as Professor of Preaching and Practical Theology, and since 1953 in the office of the President of the Seminary, has reached the age provided by the Constitution for retirement as Professor of Theology,

We, therefore, the Board of Superintendents recommend the General Synod in accordance with constitutional provisions that Dr. Stephen James, President and John Henry Livingston, Professor of Theology Emeritus, this action to become effective as of August 31, 1959.

This recommendation was duly moved, seconded and passed. Dr. James expressed words of appreciation to the Board for the privileges which had been extended to him in these recent years, and of his prayers for the continued service of the Seminary to the Kingdom.

2. We recommend, that the Reverend Professor Dr. Justin Vander Kolk, nominated by the Board of Superintendents, be elected to the office of President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary, that his designation as the Suydam Professor of Systematic Theology be vacated and that he be designated as the John Henry Livingston Professor of Theology and that this action become effective as of September 1, 1959.

This recommendation was duly moved, seconded and passed. Motion was made, seconded and duly passed, that the General Synod be reminded of its obligations to underwrite the cost of moving Dr. Vander Kolk into the President's home on the Seminary Campus from his present professor's residence.

Dr. James requested permission of the Board that he be appointed to escort Dr. Vander Kolk to the presence of the Board. This was granted, and the Board, standing, gave Dr. Vander Kolk an expression of their esteem. In reply Dr. Vander Kolk expressed his appreciation to the Board for the high vote of confidence which they had given him. He spoke of the fulfillment of dreams, the future growth of New Brunswick Seminary in the life of the Church with a resurgence of interest in the life of the Seminary, under the leading of Christ's Spirit the Seminary sought to minister to the ministers of the Church.

Following Dr. Vander Kolk's remarks the Board President called upon the Reverend Dr. Marion deVelder, President of the General Synod to offer a prayer of thanksgiving and intercession.

Motion was made, seconded that the Committee on the Presidency's report be received as a whole and the Committee discharged. Motion passed.

S-350. Copies of the Minutes of the Executive Committee (Directors) meeting, dated May 5, 1959, were distributed and reviewed. (See Exhibit "B" appended to file copy of this report)

Article D-305 was read, with its motion of recommendation. The motion from the Executive Committee was duly moved, seconded and passed.

Article D-309 was reviewed and explained, after which the following motion, in its three parts was made and seconded:

- The Board of Superintendents in regard to the establishment of a fund to install a 'Presidents' Organ' in the Seminary Chapel,
- approve the concept in principle and express its thanks to those who originated the concept;
 - that no particular organ or final price be decided upon without the approval of the Board of Superintendents;
 - that final action upon this matter wait until a decision has been made upon the renovation of Suydam Hall, with the possible creation of a new Seminary Chapel there.

Motion passed.

S-351. Mr. Russell Feakes, Treasurer, presented a Summary of the Financial Report to the Board of Superintendents, dated May 20, 1959.

"SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS"
MEETING, MAY 20, 1959

The budget adopted for the current fiscal year ending June 30 anticipated that \$75,300 of Church contributions would be needed to achieve a balanced situation, whereby income and outgo would be equal. The actual amount collected for the preceding year was \$71,337. Thus, an approximate 5-6% increase was indicated.

At the end of April \$63,207 of Church contributions had been collected - \$1,482 over the same date a year ago - a little over 2% ahead. Improvements in collection of other income items and the holding of expenses within budget limits for the ten months already elapsed point to a satisfactory result for the year as a whole.

The operating cash position remains good. All special funds are represented by investments and cash in New York savings banks.

A full set of financial statements will be submitted at the January 1960 meeting, reporting on final results for the year.

REQUESTS

Notice has been received of a bequest of \$2,000 under will of Mrs. Ella V. A. Garnsey, Kinderhook, N. Y.

Notice has also been received that the Seminary is a legatee under will of Mr. Christopher Cook, Newark, N. Y. The amount of the bequest has not yet been determined."

S-352. Motion was made to ratify the action of the Treasurer in signing notification of receipt of bequest under the will of Mrs. Ella V. A. Garnsey, Kinderhook, New York. Seconded and passed.

S-353. The Committee on Students, through its Chairman, Wilbur Ivins, made the following report:

"Your committee has met with each student of the Class of 1959, individually, and as time has permitted, has conducted an informal examination. Members of the Committee have also read and criticized representative sermons of the students. On the basis of this contact, the Committee recommends the members of the class for the appropriate degrees and certificates, as warranted by their academic attainments."

It was duly moved and seconded that the report of the Committee on Students be received and accepted. Passed.

At this point, the Board paused to welcome the Class of 1959. They were presented and introduced to the Board by the Seminary President. The Reverend Norman Thomas, President of the Board, welcomed the Class and expressed to

each and all the felicitations of the Board as they graduate and enter the Christian Ministry. Following this the Class was dismissed.

S-354. In the absence of the Secretary, Dr. James presented to the letter from Robert F. Williams, Clerk of the Consistory of the Protestant Church of the City of New York, dated May 15, 1934, as addressed to the Secretary of the Board. The nature of the letter from said Consistory was expression of appreciation and honor which said Consistory felt by the action of the Board in requesting permission to establish the annual grant from said Consistory of \$3,600 as the John H. Livingston D.D. Professor of Theology (see S-330).

It was moved, seconded and passed, that said grant be applied to the Chair, if and when General Synod approves its establishment (see S-329).

S-355. Dr. H. Stephen James presented the Faculty of the Seminary to the Board of Superintendents. They were warmly welcomed by the Board. Dean Hugh B. Dean presented the "Annual Report of the Faculty" to the Board (See Exhibit "D" appended to file copy of this report). Motion was made and seconded that the report be accepted with deep appreciation by the Board. Passed. Dr. James on behalf of the Faculty spoke to the Board of the Faculty's interest in the Seminary, and appealing in turn for the Board's interests in the School of the Prophets. Following this the Faculty was excused.

S-356. Through its Chairman, Richard P. Mallery, the Committee on Professorate made the following report:

"Since your Committee has not been able to make necessary adjustments in faculty personnel in view of the fact that the matter of the new President is under discussion at this Board meeting, the Committee on Professorate requests that these matters be referred to it with the understanding that it will report to the Executive Committee since these decisions will involve budgetary matters (with the possibility of establishing a scale of advance in salaries for lecturers and full professors in terms of seniority with a ceiling set in the light of the total budget).

It is recommended that in view of Dr. Vander Kolk's election to the Presidency that the Committee on Professorate take immediate steps to secure additional teaching help in the Department of Theology for at least one-half of the courses.

It is recommended that immediate consideration be given to the nomination of an additional professor at the Seminary."

It was duly moved and seconded that the Committee on Professorate be instructed to take immediate steps to secure additional teaching help in the Department of Theology for at least one-half of the courses. Passed.

It was duly moved and seconded that the Committee be authorized to investigate the feasibility of nomination to the Board of an additional Professor of Theology. Passed. In the discussion which took place before the motion was voted upon, it was the expressed desire of the Board that a full "job analysis" of the professorial needs of the Seminary be made in conjunction with the proposed study.

S-357. Mr. Russell Peakes, Treasurer, presented the recommended budget from the Executive Committee. (See Exhibit "D-1" appended to file copy of this report). After explaining it, the Chairman of the Board's Library Committee requested alteration of the Library section of the budget (See Exhibit "E", items 3, 5, 6

report appended to file copy of this report) for a net increase, as follows:

"That the salary for the Librarian be increased from \$4,800 to \$5,200 in 1960, looking forward to the Board's taking a comparable step next year to bring the salary of the Librarian up to parity with the members of the Faculty."

Your Committee recommends that the initial salary for the Assistant Librarian be \$4,200 plus \$600 allowance for housing."

Your Committee recommends that the 1960 budget include an allotment of \$3,000 for clerical assistance in the library program."

Your Committee recommends that the allotment in the 1960 budget for cleaning be \$800."

It was duly moved and seconded that the requests of the Library Committee be taken under advisement by the Committee on Finance, and that the amended budget be Passed. The report of the Treasurer as a whole was moved, seconded and passed for acceptance."

S-358. Reverend Donner Atwood, Chairman of the Board's Library Committee presented his Committee's report in two parts, the first dealing with personnel of the Library and the second with the rehabilitation program of the Library. The following recommendations were received: (See Exhibit "D", items 2, 4, and 5, appended to file copy)

"Your Committee recommends that the Board of Superintendents establish the position of Assistant Librarian for the Gardner A. Sage Library, to begin July 1, 1959."

Motion to accept was duly made, seconded and passed to accept the recommendation.

"Your Committee recommends that the Board of Superintendents appoint Miss Alice J. Appink to the position of Assistant Librarian."

Motion to accept was duly made, seconded and passed to accept the recommendation.

"In recognition of exceptional value not only to the Library but to the entire Seminary community, your Committee on the Library wishes to commend the Librarian and his staff for their dedicated and imaginative leadership during the past year. Increasingly the Library is taking its place as an equal alongside other arms of the Seminary, and is not merely an auxiliary service of this School of the Prophets. We as a Committee believe that this is in a large measure due to the stature and cooperative spirit brought to the position of Librarian by the Reverend Peter VandenBerge. We wish to commend him for his work and assure him of the interest of the entire Board of Superintendents. To this end, we recommend:

"That the Clerk be requested to send a copy of this statement to Mr. VandenBerge that he may tangibly show of the Board's appreciation of his numerous contributions." "

Motion duly made, seconded and passed to accept the recommendation.

S-359. The Chairman of the Library Committee presented the second part of his report dealing with the rehabilitation program for the Library. The following recommendations were made: (See Exhibit "F" of the report appended to this report.)

- "1. That the Board of Superintendents authorized the properly empowered officers of the Board to award a contract to Dutcher Heating Limited, for the installation of a heating system in the Library, plus the payment of the architect's fee for this section of the work, and the accomplishment of the necessary

patchwork to be done in conjunction with the heating system for a total figure of \$20,488."

tion was made, seconded and passed, to accept the recommendation.

- "2. That the Board of Superintendents authorize of the Board to sign a contract with the Atlas Concrete & Proper authorities a three-inch concrete slab over all the floorment of the Library and that they be authorized up to \$1,800 for the installation of tile on the concrete. the architect's fees of 10% this would make a total \$4,300."

tion was made, seconded and passed, to accept the recommendation. Motion was made, seconded and passed that the Committee on Library's reports be accepted as whole.

S-360. Reverend Edwin Thomas Jones presented background information relative to D-310 in regard to retaining the services of Mr. Russell Feakes as Treasurer of the Board, after his term of office as a member of the Board is concluded. It was duly moved and seconded that the Board request General Synod to grant permission to the Board to amend its Plan of Organization so that the Treasurer may be elected from outside the Body of the Board, and in effect serve with the President of the Seminary as an ex-officio member of the Board. Passed.

The motion was then made and seconded that Mr. Russell Feakes be nominated to General Synod as the Treasurer of the Board of Superintendents, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, in keeping with the previous motion. Passed.

S-361. On behalf of the Faculty, Dr. James presented the following recommendation:

"Since General Synod, 1958 (Synod Minutes, p. 351, Par. 4) in regard to the practice of candidating by Seminary students in the Senior year, directed the Seminaries, Classes, and Churches to discontinue this practice and return to Constitutional procedures, and directed that no candidatorial negotiations be carried on prior to graduation from the Seminary, and since through confusion or misunderstanding this directive was not put into effect,

The Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Seminary, with full concurrence of the Faculty, recommends that General Synod reaffirm and certify to Seminaries and Classes the directive to adhere to constitutional procedures in all matters relating to Licensing of candidates, Candidating, Ordination and Installation and that the practice of students candidating and the negotiation of so-called "Promise of Call" prior to graduation from Seminary be discontinued."

The motion was moved and seconded. After full discussion a motion to Table was made, but not seconded. A vote on original motion was called for by presiding chairman, and the motion was defeated. It was at this point observed by some present that the matter was under study by General Synod's Committee on Revision of the Constitution.

A motion was made that the Committee on Students of this Board consult with the New Brunswick Faculty on this matter, and also in conjunction with the Faculty and of Superintendents of Western Theological Seminary, and after such consultation report back to this Board their findings. Seconded and passed.

S-361. Mr. Egedy, gently but firmly, remonstrated the members of the Faculty, and through the Dean, the Seminary Students for ill-kept in created by said personnel by smoking when attired in academic costume. They were

respectfully requested to desist from such practice by the President of the Seminary who thanked Mr. Eedy for his observation and suggestion.

S-362. Noting that this was the last planned meeting of the Board of Superintendents under the leadership of President Dr. M. Stephen James, the President of the Board appointed a Committee on Resolutions to draw up an appropriate resolution to be presented to the entire assemblage of the alumni, faculty, wives, distant guests, and friends of the Seminary when they assemble on May 21, 1959, at the meeting observing the 175th Anniversary year of the Seminary. The Committee was composed of Richard Mallery, Edwin T. Jones and Ernest R. Palen.

Subsequent to the meeting, the Committee presented the following resolution at the Alumni and 175th Anniversary Luncheon:

"A T R I B U T E T O THE REVEREND DOCTOR M. STEPHEN JAMES

The Board of Superintendents of The New Brunswick Theological Seminary, on the occasion of the 175th Anniversary of the Seminary, express deep and abiding appreciation to the President, Dr. M. Stephen James,

For his distinctive contribution to the Pastoral Ministry as a great Churchman.

For his Teaching Ministry and pastoral oversight in this School of the Prophets.

For his outstanding leadership in the field of Theological Education and the way in which he has unified the Faculty into an effective team by his selfless spirit, untiring efforts and ceaseless devotion.

For his magnificent leadership in the Church as a whole where his spirit is felt in the lives of all and where he has won love as well as respect for the Seminary.

And, also, for his co-worker, Mrs. James, whose gentle and devoted spirit has inspired the women of the Church to do great things in a quiet way for the improvement of the Seminary property.

Thus, on this 21st day of May, in the year of our Lord, 1959, at this 175th Commencement of the Seminary, we pray God's richest blessing on Dr. and Mrs. James, for a Ministry well done, and assure them of our continuing love and prayers for the future.

THE COMMITTEE

Edwin T. Jones

Richard Mallery

Ernest R. Palen

There being no further business, a motion was received to adjourn the meeting. Seconded and passed. The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Donner A. Atwood, Secretary pro tem

A specially called meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the Second Reformed Church, New Brunswick, was held on October 12, 1959, at 12:20 P.M. The Rev. Robert G. Dickson offered a prayer. The Rev. James Boogerd, elected representative from the Synod of Iowa, was introduced and recognized by the Board.

The actions of this special meeting were as follows:

A Resolution was presented noting the passing of Mr. Gerrit Egedy. It was voted to adopt the resolution, to spread it on the minutes of the Board, and to send copies to the Family.

"Forasmuch as it has pleased Almighty God in His wise Providence to take home unto Himself our departed brother, Mr. Gerrit Egedy, therefore we his fellow members of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary gathered in (Special) session on October 20, 1959 to pause in grateful remembrance of his fellowship with us and in recognition of his faithful service to the interests of this institution. We thank God for the quality of his devotion and for the strength of his labors. We extend herewith to his widow and family our heartfelt sympathy. Be it resolved that this action be spread in the minutes of our Board and that a copy thereof be sent to Mrs. Egedy."

- S-364. 2. To approve the nomination by Chairman Winn of Mr. Adrian Heerschap to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Egedy. The motion was seconded by the Rev. Chester Moore and Mr. Heerschap was unanimously elected.
- S-365. 3. Inasmuch as special events, particularly a series of Faculty lectures, will be carried into 1960, it was voted to approve the extension of the Anniversary Year emphasis through the academic year.

The newly elected President of the Seminary, Dr. Justin Vander Kolk described his duties as divided between the presidency and teaching in accordance with the following:

Teaching - Dr. Vander Kolk plans to teach one course per term (three hours per week) this year. The other courses in Systematic Theology will be taught this year by the Rev. Isaac C. Rottenberg, Contemporary Theology; Dr. Donald J. Bruggink, Doctrine of The Church, the Rev. Arnold J. Van Lummel, Christian Ethics, and the Rev. Victor Nuovo, Christology.

The Rev. Roger B. Juckett would be assisting the president in his duties.

The schedule of other Visiting Lecturers was also reviewed.

The Service in the Collegiate Church on October 18, celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the founding of the New Brunswick Seminary was noted by the Board. The service had been attended by the entire Faculty. Dr. Vander Kolk also gave a sermon on the School of Life and Leadership held at the Seminary this Fall.

The Rev. Thomas announced the Annual Meeting of the Board would be at the Warwick Estates on January 25-26, 1960.

The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. Donner B. Atwood at 12:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

January 25 - 26, 1960

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Conference Room, Warwick Estates, Warwick, New York, on January 25 and 26, 1960. The President of the Board, the Rev. Norman E. Thomas, called the meeting to order, following luncheon, at 2:00 P.M., on Monday, January 25, 1960, and led in a devotional service. Mr. J. Harold Johnston acted as secretary of the meeting.

There were present:

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Revs. Cuyler T. M. Thayer (Bergen), Leonard A. Jones (New Brunswick), Wilbur E. Ivins (Paramus), Delbert L. Kinney (Passaic), Timothy A. Cramer (Philadelphia) and Robert T. Marsh (Raritan).

From the Synod of New York: The Revs. Frederick R. Bosch (Long Island North), Gordon H. Curtis (Long Island South), George H. Winn (Orange), Harold Ver Berkmoes (Poughkeepsie), James Blane (Ulster) and Elton J. Bruins (Westchester).

From the Synod of Albany: The Revs. Louis H. Chisman (Albany), Chester A. Moore (Columbia), H. Paul Morhouse (Greene), Ernest Crouse (Montgomery), George M. Flikkema (Rochester), Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga), Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady) and Cornelius Lepeltak (Schoharie).

From the Synod of Iowa: The Rev. James S. Boogerd.

From the Synod of Michigan: The Rev. Harland Steele.

Members at Large: The Revs. Donner B. Atwood, Robert C. Dickson, Harold E. Klein, Richard P. Mallery, Ayle A. Schutter and Norman E. Thomas. Messrs. Horace C. Bailer, Carl L. Cleaver, Arie Contant, L. Russell Feakes (from 5:00 P.M. on January 25th), Adrian C. Heerschap, George B. Howell, J. Harold Johnston, Howard C. Shepherd and Robert W. Thomas.

President of the Seminary: The Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk

Secretary of the Board of Education: The Rev. Dr. Bernard J. Mulder.

Representative of the Alumni Association: The Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

Those who had indicated in advance their inability to attend were the Revs. Albert C. Freeman (Newark), Irwin J. Lubbers (President of Hope College), Ernest R. Palen (New York), Gerard C. Pool (Metropolitan Jersey), Preston J. Stegenga (President of Northwestern College) and Mr. Randall C. Bosch (Member-at-Large).

The Chair introduced those who were attending a Board of Superintendents meeting for the first time: Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap, completing the term at large the late Mr. Gerrit Agedy (1967), the Rev. Cuyler T. M. Thayer (Bergen), completing the term of the late Rev. W. Carmen Trembath (1964), the Rev. Frederick R. Bosch (Long Island North), succeeding the Rev. Mr. Juckett, whose term had expired in

the Rev. James Blane (Ulster), succeeding the Rev. Mr. Dykstra, whose term expired in 1959, the Rev. George M. Flikkema (Rochester), completing the term of the Rev. Benjamin J. Hoffman (1961), the Rev. Gordon H. Curtis (Long Island), completing the term of the Rev. M. Gerard Bosseink (1964), the Rev. S. Boogard (Iowa), succeeding the Rev. Ralph H. Cordes (1961), the Rev. Harland Dickson (Michigan), and the following beginning six year terms as members at the Annual Meeting, Messrs. Horace C. Bailer, Howard C. Shepard and Robert A. Schutter.

S-366. The Chair noted that since the last meeting, the Rev. W. Carmen Trembath, member of the Board from the Classis of Bergen, and the Rev. Dr. Hugh Baillie MacLean, Dean of the Seminary, had died. He suggested that a Committee on Resolutions be appointed for the purpose of preparing suitable resolutions for adoption by the Board. Upon motion, this was approved (Later, the Chair appointed the Revs. Schutter, Chisman and Dickson as the Committee. They will report at the next meeting.)

S-367. The Chair asked the Board's pleasure about permitting the wives of members to attend the sessions of the Board during the Annual Meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried that the privilege of attending the sessions of the Board during the Annual Meeting be extended to the Ladies. The Chair asked the Rev. Mr. Donner B. Atwood to notify them of this action.

S-368. It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, held on January 20 and 21, 1959, be approved as distributed to the members in mimeographed form. The same action was taken with respect to the minutes of the previous meeting held on October 20, 1959.

S-369. The Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk presented his report (as attached to file copy) as president of the Seminary. It was well received and Dr. Vander Kolk was heartily applauded. Upon motion, the report was received and ordered placed on file.

S-370. Dr. Vander Kolk made the following four recommendations in his report. Each was considered separately and, upon motion in each instance, the action as indicated was taken.

- A. That because of his willingness to assume an additional teaching load of five hours during the current term in the Old Testament field, appropriate recognition should be extended to Prof. Kooy. Referred to the Committee on Professorate for study and recommendation.
- B. That there was need to study the whole matter of student scholarships. The appointment of such a committee was authorized. (Later the Chair appointed the Rev. Wilbur E. Ivins, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, Mr. L. Russell Feakes, the Treasurer and Mr. J. Harold Johnston, with Dr. Vander Kolk to convene the Committee.
- C. That a master plan of campus development and Seminary promotion (for capital funds with which to carry out the building plan) be devised. The appointment of a Committee on Planning and Development to prepare such a master plan was approved. (Later the Chair appointed Messrs. Adrian C. Weerschap, George B. Howell, L. Russell Feakes, J. Harold Johnston, Howard C. Shepard, the Rev. Donner B. Atwood and the Rev. Dr. Vander Kolk, with power to add such other individuals, both on and off the Board, as the Committee desires. Dr. Vander Kolk will convene the Committee and the Committee will choose its own chairman.

D. That an organized effort be made to secure annual contributions for the Seminary without detracting from the support of their own churches, from a large number of selected individuals, and that toward this end, a roster of from 500 to 1,000 lay people be compiled. Approved, with the urgent request of the Board to each minister in the three Eastern Synods that he choose names of appropriate people in his church for such a roster and send the same to President Vander Kolk.

S-371. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board recess until 8:00 P.M. Later, by motion, its recess time was changed to 4:00 P.M. to 4:15 P.M.

S-372. In the absence of the Rev. Mr. Pool, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion, the Rev. Mr. Chilton presented the report of the Committee (as attached to file copy). The report was accepted, upon motion, and ordered placed on file. In the discussion, the Committee was urged to send some materials to each minister, asking the minister to distribute them to his key laymen. It was also suggested that promotional material be sent all ministers in the three Eastern Synods, not just those in charge of churches.

S-373. In the discussion on promotion, and the continued urging that churches the Seminary in their budgets for a direct annual gift equal to \$1 per member, several statements were made that confusion seemed to exist in some minds that designated gifts were not desired under the Stewardship Council program. Dr. Vander Kolk and others pointed out that this was not so and that the Stewardship Council actually urges and encourages designated gifts. Designation helps to visualize the work and need of the Seminary and such a gift carries with it the personal concern and prayers of the donor. It is of strategic importance to the Seminary to secure not only money but the interest and concern of individuals and churches in the Seminary.

S-374. Dr. B. J. Mulder, Secretary of the Board of Education, confirmed the statement that the Stewardship Council encourages designated gifts. Such giving is within the Council structure and there is no conflict between designated and undesignated contributions. If the total of designated gifts equals the approved asking amount, the undesignated gifts will be assigned to the other boards by the Council. The Board uses undesignated gifts as an equalizing fund so that the more funds the Seminary receives by designation from churches and individuals, the less it will need from the "equalizing" (undesignated) funds. Dr. Mulder added that almost the full benevolent operating budgets had been secured for 1959 by the Stewardship Council. The Board uses undesignated gifts as an equalizing fund so that the more funds the Seminary receives by designation from churches and individuals, the less it will need from the "equalizing" (undesignated) funds. Dr. Mulder added that almost the full benevolent operating budgets had been secured for 1959 by the Stewardship Council but that only a small portion of the capital requirements (about \$80,000 of the \$800,000) had been received. The Seminary was to receive \$25,000 if the \$800,000 had been secured. It was moved, seconded and carried that the matter be referred to the Committee on Promotion for study and report.

S-375. The Rev. Mr. Kester reported briefly (and verbally) for the Alumni Association. Upon motion, the report was received.

S-376. The Rev. Donner B. Atwood, Chairman of the Committee on Museum and Library, presented the report, as attached to file copy, from the Faculty Committee on the Library. Upon motion it was received. After discussion, the first three recommendations were referred to the Committee on Finance and the fourth to the special committee to study the scholarship situation (S-370b). In the general discussion, the desirability of increasing the Seminary's collection of faculty portraits was referred

the Committee on the Museum and Library as well as the importance of preserving many artifacts and items formerly displayed in the museum. The committee was expressed in the plans for the rehabilitation of Suydam Hall, provision would be made for museum.

S-377. The Rev. Mr. Wilbur E. Ivins, Chairman of the Committee on Students, stated that with respect to "student candidating" and the negotiation of "Promises of Call" prior to graduation from the Seminary (S-361), the Stated General Synod had issued a directive to the Stated Clerks of all Classes that "No senior student is eligible to receive a call until he has completed his Seminary course and has been licensed. A Consistory may express its willingness to call a senior but no call can be formally promised or extended until he has been licensed. If an understanding is arrived at between a consistory and a senior, the consistory must not ask him to undertake any preaching assignments or pastoral duties till after his graduation, except as permitted by the faculty. When a student is examined for licensure, the existence of an agreement with a consistory must in no way influence the decision of the Classis. The examination is concerned solely with the student's academic and spiritual fitness."

motion, the report was received.

The hour of 4:15 P.M. having arrived, the meeting recessed for meetings of theods. The Rev. Mr. Dickson closed the session with prayer.

The meeting reconvened, following dinner, at 8:00 P.M., with the Rev. Mr. as in the chair. The Rev. Mr. Donner B. Atwood led the devotions.

S-378. Mr. L. Russell Peakes, the Treasurer, presented his detailed report, as attached to file copy, concerning the fiscal year July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Treasurer's report for 1958- be received.

S-379. The Secretary presented the following recommendations from the Executive Committee (Directors):

- A. That retroactive to January 1, 1960, a salary range for professors (occupying chairs) be established and that the range be from \$7,000 to \$8,500 per year.
- B. That the professors receive an increase in salary retroactive to January 1, 1960 of \$500 per annum (\$7,000 as compared with the present \$6,500).
- C. That the salary of the Librarian be increased \$500 per year retroactive to January 1, 1960 (from \$4,800 to \$5,300) in addition to the \$1,200 he receives as Lector in Religious Education (from \$6,000 to \$6,500 in total)
- D. That the salary of the Rev. Roger B. Juckett, Lector in Practical Field Work, be increased \$500 per year beginning July 1, 1960 (from \$6,000 to \$6,500).
- E. That the salary of the President be established at \$9,000 per year retroactive to September 1, 1959 (D-323).
- F. That, beginning July 1, 1960, the sum of \$300 be added annually to the salary of the professor serving as Dean of the Seminary as compensation for the services required by that office.
- G. That, beginning July 1, 1960, the sum of \$200 be added annually to the salary of the professor serving as Registrar of the Seminary as compensation for the services required by that office.

With respect to room rates:

That, effective September 1, 1960, room rates, including utilities for single rooms for unmarried students, be increased from \$45 to \$60 per term and that for married students, including utilities, be increased from \$45 to \$60 per term.

With respect to tuition and fees:

- A. That a "speech laboratory fee" of \$10 be established to be paid by each incoming student for use of the speech recording equipment. The fee will defray the cost of recording tape which becomes the property of the student.
- B. The tuition beginning September 1, 1960 be increased from \$225 per year (\$75 per term) but that candidates for the Professional Certificate (i.e., members of the Reformed Church in America) be given a tuition scholarship of \$175 against the \$225 charge (so that they will continue to pay the \$50).
- C. That the fee for all special students beginning September 1, 1960 be established at the rate of \$5 per credit hour per term (instead of the present flat amount of \$16.00 per term).
- D. That the faculty be asked to study the subject of scholarships for students at the Seminary and that following the conclusion of the study, recommendations be made with respect to the tuition to be charged candidates for the Professional Certificate.

It was moved, seconded and carried by separate motion in each of the items above that the recommendations be approved as presented.

S-380. Mr. Feakes presented a proposed budget for the year July 1, 1960 to June 1961, as attached to the file copy, and as recommended by the Executive Committee (Directors) (D-333), calling for expenditures of \$164,700 and requiring \$96,000 in contributions from churches to balance, which figure had been submitted to the Synodical Council as the Seminary's asking amount for 1961. All of the above had been approved above (S-379) had been anticipated in the proposed budget and a decrease in room rents. It was Mr. Feakes' estimate that the Board's action with respect to room rents and fees would increase the income by about \$3,000, and, therefore, the anticipated amount required from the churches would be \$93,000 rather than \$96,000. Discussion followed. Several members expressed the view that the travel item seemed small in relation to the anticipated program of church visitation. It was moved, seconded and carried that the budget for 1960-61 as presented by the Treasurer and Executive Committee (Directors) and as amended by the above actions of the Board be adopted, subject to review at the May meeting when the financial experience for the January-April period will be available.

S-381. Mr. George B. Howell, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, presented the report of the committee as attached to the file copy. Upon motion, it was accepted. Mr. Howell stated that his committee had given a great deal of thought to the disposition of Suydam Hall (D-311). Should it be demolished and a new building erected on the site, or elsewhere, or should it be completely rehabilitated? Woerner and Woerner, the architects who had worked with the committee on the renovation of the library, had prepared figures on the two proposals as follows:

1. Complete renovation of Suydam Hall. Sandblast, install all new windows and doors, new roof, leaders and gutters, new floors, etc. It is a good, sound, solid building, and this proposed renovation would make it "good as new." The cost (for two floors only) was figured as follows: General contract, \$112,000, new heating system, \$25,000, new wiring, \$10,000, new plumbing, \$5,000, totaling \$152,000, which, plus fees of \$15,200, gives a total of \$167,200.
2. Replace Suydam Hall. The cost of a new building providing the same floor area as the first and second floors of Suydam Hall, plus demolition costs,

Was estimated at \$260,000.

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Rehabilitation of the present third floor in Suydam Hall, or addition of equivalent space in a new building would add cost to both proposals. In question, Mr. Howell expressed the belief that the Board of Christian Education would take care of the Chapel and student space. The Board of Christian Education would take care of the Chapel and student space of 150 and that by using the present Chapel in Haddon Hall, the Board of Christian Education would probably be provided. If, however, the Board of Christian Education were to move the married students' apartments, the third floor in Suydam Hall might be provided. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received, with a vote of appreciation to Mr. Howell.

S-382. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, with respect to Suydam Hall be referred to the Committee on Planning and Development (S-370d).

S-383. The Rev. Mr. Mallery, Chairman of the Committee on Professors, Instruction and Curriculum, presented the report of the committee as attached to the file. Upon motion, it was approved. The Committee recommended that for the additional five credit hours of teaching Professor Kooy had assumed for the current year (S-370), he be paid the Seminary's customary fee of \$100 per credit hour i.e., \$500.

S-384. Mr. Mallery stated that the Committee on Professors had had several meetings with respect to proposing a candidate to fill the James Suydam Chair of Systematic Theology made vacant by the election of Dr. Vander Kolk and that they were ready to supplement (in accordance with report attached to file copy) their previously distributed mimeographed report by recommending Gerrit T. Vander Lugt, Ph.D., for the appointment. Dr. Vander Lugt is president of Central College, a former president of General Synod and one who is well known and highly respected throughout the entire denomination. He is completely acceptable to the Faculty and meets adequately the criteria presented by President Vander Kolk in his report to the Board: "seek men (for the faculty) who are adequately equipped with scholarship and have demonstrated their skill as teachers--men at home in the climate of the Reformed Church and acceptable to our constituency." After discussion during which a number of those present expressed their great satisfaction and enthusiasm in the selection, it was moved, seconded and carried that a unanimous call be extended to the Rev. Dr. Gerrit T. Vander Lugt, through President Vander Kolk, to permit the Board of Superintendents to submit his name to General Synod for appointment as the James Suydam Professor of Systematic Theology at the New Brunswick Seminary beginning this fall.

The meeting recessed, upon motion, at 10:30 P.M., to reconvene at 9:00 A.M. tomorrow. The Rev. Dr. B. J. Mulder closed the meeting with prayer.

January 26, 1960

The meeting reconvened at 9:05 A.M. on Tuesday, January 26, 1960, with the Rev. Norman L. Thomas in the Chair. The Rev. Mr. Kester led in devotions.

S-385. The Chair announced appointments to the Resolutions Committee, the Scholarship Study Committee and the Planning and Development Committee as named above (S-366, 370b and S-370c).

S-386. The Chair read the report of the Women's Auxiliary as attached to file copy. It was received with thanks. Mr. Thomas expressed the Board's deep appreciation for the interest and devotion of the Auxiliary to the ladies who were present. Dr. Vander Kolk replied briefly.

S-387. In the absence of the Rev. Mr. Pool, the Rev. Mr. Delbert L. Kinney reported

that the Committee on Promotion had met to consider the matter (S-374) referred yesterday morning and that the five members present unanimously presented the recommendations:

- A. That designated gifts to the Seminary be encouraged throughout the three Eastern Synods and that these gifts be forwarded directly to the Seminary. We believe this is consistent with the program of the Stewardship Council. We would re-emphasize the objective of \$1.00 per communicant member per year.
- B. That informative circulars, bulletin inserts, etc. be sent to pastors, ministers and other leaders in our churches to be distributed by them to this Board be made the basis for publicity and that we enlist professional assistance from qualified laymen in preparing these materials and mailings.
- C. That personal gifts for the Seminary be sought from appropriate individuals throughout the three Eastern Synods.

In the discussion which followed, President Vander Kolk asked all the ministers to send him the names of people in their congregations or area falling in the following categories (many names would be on both lists):

1. People who are the leaders in the local church and who, therefore, should receive information from time to time about the Seminary.
2. People with interest in the Reformed Church who probably have the financial means to make a yearly personal contribution to the Seminary.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received, and that all the recommendations be approved and that the President be authorized to send an appropriate letter to all ministers in the three Eastern Synods requesting the names as outlined.

S-388. The Revs. Thayer and Kester reported that a committee has been gathered under the chairmanship of Dr. Howard Hageman, the President of General Synod, to secure funds for a suitable memorial at the Seminary for the late Hugh Baillie MacLean. Messrs. Vander Kolk, Thayer, Kester, Ivins, Mallery, McConnell--an intimate friend of Dr. MacLean's, and LaPenta (a Middler student at the Seminary), had been appointed to the Committee by Dr. Hageman. The committee was of the view that a suitable memorial would be to name the main study room in the Library, the Hugh Baillie MacLean Bible Room and, by means of an endowment, to maintain the room by using the income to furnish, equip and maintain the room and (b) to purchase books that are related to the study of the Bible, whether placed in this room or elsewhere in the Library. The Committee thought that \$10,000 might be secured through freewill gifts from individuals. \$1,350 has been received to date spontaneously. No high pressure campaign was contemplated. The Committee asked if the Board was willing to accept such a memorial. Dr. MacLean. Discussion followed. The Executive Committee (Directors) recommended it. (D-335).

S-389. It was moved, seconded and carried that the study room in the Sage Library on the first floor in the West wing of the Wessell's addition, not currently named, be designated the Hugh Baillie MacLean Bible Room, and that in any future expansion or rearrangement of the library, an equivalent room will be so designated if it becomes necessary to give up or change the use of the present room.

S-390. It was moved, seconded and carried that if an endowment fund was offered to the Seminary, the income only to be used (a) for the furnishing, equipment and maintenance of the Hugh Baillie MacLean Bible Room including floor coverings, etc. for the room and (b) to purchase books that are related to the study of the Bible.

placed in the room or elsewhere in the Library, it be accepted, and that the solicitation of gifts, in the manner proposed, toward such an endowment fund be approved.

S-391. The Rev. Mr. Ivins stated that he had conveyed to the student body the suggestions of the Board of Superintendents (S-350 and D-309) with respect to the raising of a fund to install a "Presidents' Organ" in the Seminary Chapel and that no further word had been received on the subject.

S-392. Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap, a member at large from the Synod of New Jersey, reported briefly on some of the work of the Synod within the Synod and stated that although it was too early to be specific about details, the Synod of New Jersey would shortly undertake a project of assistance to the Seminary. Applause followed the announcement, and the chair expressed the hearty appreciation to Mr. Heerschap and to the Synod.

S-393. The Rev. Mr. Kester invited the Board, on behalf of the Board of Managers, to the 1961 Annual Meeting at Warwick Estates. Several of those present stated pleasant and satisfactory the arrangements had been for the meeting now coming to a close and the Board of Managers of Warwick Estates for the fine care they had taken of the Board. It was moved, seconded and carried that the invitation be accepted and that the 1961 Annual Meeting be held at Warwick Estates. It was the consensus of those present that Tuesday might be a better day than Monday for the first session (because of travel time for those coming a long distance) but this might cause conflict with mid-week services on Wednesday. Checking in Monday evening, convening day morning with adjournment late Tuesday night or before lunch on Wednesday was one of the suggestions. The matter was referred to the President and the Executive Committee.

S-394. The Rev. George W. Winn presented the following nominations on behalf of the Committee on Nominations for membership on the indicated committees:

Committee on Students and Examinations-

Rev. Wilbur E. Ivins, Chairman

Rev. Chester A. Moore

Rev. Robert G. Dickson

Rev. Albert J. Freeman

Rev. Elton J. Bruins

Rev. Harold Ver Berkmoes

Mr. Adrian Heerschap

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum-

Rev. Richard P. Mallery, Chairman

Rev. Norman C. Thomas

Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

Mr. Carl L. Cleaver

Rev. Ernest R. Palen

Rev. H. Paul Morehouse

Rev. Runyon L. Wolff

Committee on Museum and Library-

Rev. Donner B. Atwood, Chairman

Mr. Arie Contant

Rev. Gordon H. Curtis

Mr. Howard C. Shepherd

Rev. Leonard A. Jones

Rev. Louis H. Chisman

Rev. Robert T. Marsh

Committee on Promotion-

Rev. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman

Mr. Horace C. Bailer

Rev. James Blane

Rev. Frederick M. Bosch

Rev. Ayle A. Schutter

Rev. Cornelius Lepeltak

Mr. Robert W. Thomas

Committee on Nominations-

Rev. George W. Winn, Chairman

Mr. Roy C. Helgesen

Committee on Nominations (Cont'd)

Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.
 Mr. Adrien Heerschap
 Mr. J. Harold Johnson
 Mr. Horace C. Bailer

Rev. Timothy A. Cramer
 Rev. Chester A. Moore
 Mr. R. Earl Haley

S-395. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee outlined the difficulties of solving the differences in terms between a person's appointment to the Board of Superintendents and to the Executive Committee (Directors). After discussion, he stated that a written report would be prepared and distributed to the Board of Superintendents well in advance of the May meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried that the choice of delegates-at-large and of members of the Executive Committee (Directors) for recommendation to the General Synod be postponed until the May meeting of the Board.

S-396. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary be requested to check all the above elections against the requirements of the "Plan of Organization" and the current expiring terms and to report his findings at the next meeting of the Board.

S-397. The Secretary reported that the General Synod had approved the Board's request (Page 36, 1959, Orange Book) that the "Plan of Organization" be revised (S-328, S-360 and D-310) to permit the election of a Treasurer of the Seminary from outside the membership of the Board of Superintendents and that after such election, the Treasurer would serve as a member of both the Board of Superintendents and the Executive Committee (Directors) by virtue of the office he held.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Mr. L. Russell Feakes (whose term as a member of the Board of Superintendents expired on December 31, 1959) be elected Treasurer of the Seminary to serve at the pleasure of the Board and until his successor is elected.

S-398. Mr. Winn stated that the term of the Secretary, under the "Plan of Organization" was three years and he understood that Mr. Johnston's three year term expired at this meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried that Mr. J. Harold Johnston be elected Secretary of the Board of Superintendents for a three year term expiring at the Annual Meeting in 1963.

S-399. Mr. Winn presented the following for the indicated office:

For President: The Rev. Donner B. Atwood
 For Vice-President: The Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

There were no nominations from the floor. It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one vote for the slate. This was done and the Chair declared them duly elected to the indicated offices for terms expiring at the next annual meeting of the Board. At the request of the Chair, President Vander Kolk led in prayer for the new officers.

S-400. Dr. Vander Kolk reminded those present that the next meeting of the Board of Superintendents was scheduled to be held on the campus on May 25, 1960, the day before Commencement. He then expressed gratitude for the deep and abiding concern of the members for the Seminary, he praised Dr. James for his faithful labors on behalf of the Seminary and he reviewed briefly the ways in which the Board members could assist the Seminary in the year ahead.

S-401. The Rev. Mr. Thomas turned the gavel over to the Rev. Mr. Atwood. Unopposed

the meeting adjourned at 11:15 A.M. Mr. Atwood led in closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Harold Johnston
J. Harold Johnston, Secretary

May 25 - 26, 1960

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was called to order in the Christian Education Room, Suydam Hall, Seminary campus, by the President, the Reverend Donner B. Atwood, on Wednesday, May 25, 1960, at 2:00 P.M. Mr. J. Harold Johnston acted as Secretary. The Rev. Mr. Atwood opened the meeting with a devotional service.

There were present:

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Revs. Cuyler T. E. Thayer (Bergen); C. Pool (Metropolitan Jersey); Leonard A. Jones (New Brunswick); Wilbur E. Ivins (Sussex); Delbert L. Kinney (Passaic); Timothy A. Cramer (Philadelphia); and Maurice Marcus (Morristown).

From the Synod of New York: The Revs. Frederick R. Bosch (Long Island North); Gordon H. Curtis (Long Island South); Ernest R. Palen (New York); George H. Winn (Orange); James Blane (Ulster) and Elton J. Bruins (Westchester).

From the Synod of Albany: The Revs. Louis H. Chisman (Albany); Donald E. Hicks (Columbia); H. Paul Morehouse (Greene); Ernest Crounse (Montgomery); Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga); Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady) and Cornelius Lepeltak (Schoharie).

From the Synod of Iowa: The Rev. James S. Boogerd.

Members at Large: The Revs. Donner B. Atwood, Robert G. Dickson, Lee L. Kester, Jr.; Arnold H. Klein, Richard P. Mallery, Ayle A. Schutter; the Messrs. Randall C. Bosch, Arie Kantant, R. Earl Haley, George B. Howell, J. Harold Johnston and Robert W. Thomas.

President of the Seminary: The Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk.

Treasurer of the Seminary: Mr. L. Russell Peakes

Those who had indicated in advance their inability to attend were: The Revs. Edwin J. Lubbers (Hope College); Bernard J. Mulder (Board of Education); Preston J. Stegenga (Northwestern College); Harland Steel (Synod of Michigan); Norman E. Thomas (At Large); Gerrit T. Vander Lugt (Central College); the Messrs. Adrian C. Heerschap and Edward C. Sheperd.

The Chair introduced those who were attending the meeting in advance of their official appointment by General Synod: The Revs. Donald E. Hicks (Columbia), completing term of the Rev. Chester A. Moore; Maurice Marcus (Morristown), completing the term of Gerrit T. Marsh; and Mr. R. Earl Haley (At Large).

The minutes of the previous meeting held on January 25 and 26, 1960, were approved, and motion, as distributed to the members by mail prior to this meeting.

S-402. The Treasurer, Mr. L. Russell Peakes, reported that the budget for the current

fiscal year ending June 30, 1960, contemplated the following:

Total Expense	\$152,100
Less:	
Income from sources other than direct church contributions and Board of Education apportionment	
Church contributions needed	\$ 89,400

He anticipated that savings of about \$5,000 on the budget would be realized and that income from the Boards of Education and Direction would exceed estimates by about \$4,000. To April 30, 1960, church contributions received at the Seminary totaled \$73,381. He estimated, therefore, that about \$8,000 more was required from churches during May and June to bring about a budget balance. Last year \$11,700 was received in these two months so that a repetition of last year's experience would assure a full financial year. He reported the receipt since the January, 1960, meeting of \$10,000 from the estate of Miss Bertha E. Hyatt, Albany, New York; and \$1,000 from the estate of Albert Clarke Wyckoff, Spring Valley, New York. Upon motion, the report of the Treasurer was accepted with appreciation to him, and ordered placed on file.

S-403. The Rev. Mr. Wilbur E. Ivins, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, reported that members of the Committee had interviewed each graduate student and had read a sample sermon of each of them as well as other written work submitted in the course of their academic training. The Committee recommended that the appropriate degrees and certificates be awarded to these individuals, as warranted by their respective academic attainments. It was moved, seconded and carried that this be done.

S-404. The Rev. Gordon H. Curtis reported for the Committee on Museum and Library that the first major step in the renovation of the library building (new heating plant, new floor in basement, etc.) had been completed. The next step is to improve the lighting and to do such requiring as is necessary. A lighting engineer has made a careful study of the needs and has prepared specifications for estimates of cost. Four bids have been received ranging from \$10,000 to \$15,000. In the meantime, some further changes have been proposed in the work to be done. The Treasurer stated that the necessary funds have been set aside for the improvement. Upon recommendation of the Committee, it was moved, seconded and carried that the President of the Seminary and the Secretary of the Board be authorized to sign a contract in a total sum not to exceed \$12,000, for the installation of adequate lighting and wiring in the library, according to specifications approved by both the Librarian and the Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds.

S-405. The Committee on Museum and Library recommended that the newly designated Hugh Baillie Maclean Bible Room (S-389) in the Library be painted and a new floor laid, the expense to come from some source other than the income from the Maclean Memorial Fund. Upon motion, the recommendation was referred to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds for study and action. Upon motion, the report of the Committee was received and ordered placed on file.

S-406. The Rev. Mr. Gerard C. Pool, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion stated that the response to the appeal to churches had been excellent (as of April 30 \$3,300 had been received compared with \$65,872 on the comparable date a year ago), that two issues of the "News Letter" had been distributed, that a new film strip was in preparation and that the material for Seminary Sunday this fall would include a folder which could be mailed to church members who had not been present at the service itself. He

that the members of the Board send in the names of friends of the Seminary" mailing list so that they might receive informative material. Upon motion, the report was received and ordered filed.

3-407. Mr. Randall C. Bosch complimented President Vander Kolk on the new format for 1960-61. He said that it was an excellent piece of work and "do the Seminary a world of good." Everyone agreed. Mr. Vander Kolk had been designed by a firm specializing in such publications and had been all of it had to be reset in the new format. While several members of the Faculty had a part in writing the copy, special credit goes to the Secretary of the Faculty, Peter N. VandenBerge.

At this point the members of the graduating class arrived and after prayer by Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr., Dr. Vander Kolk introduced each member by name to the class. After some felicitous words by the Chair, the Class retired.

3-409. The Faculty--Profs. Kooy, Jamison, Melman, VandenBerge and Juckett were present. The Rev. Mr. Atwood greeted them on behalf of the Board and expressed the Board's appreciation for their dedication and skill in teaching. The Rev. Mr. Juckett responded for the faculty and expressed thanks for the sustained and intelligent support of the Board. The Annual Report of the Faculty was presented by the Secretary of the Faculty, the Rev. Mr. VandenBerge, after which it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received and the recommendations adopted with respect to advancement of students, the awarding of the Professorial and Work Completed Certificates and the B.D. degrees, with a vote of appreciation to Mr. VandenBerge who was making his first report as Secretary of the Faculty. An interesting question and answer period followed the reading of the report, after which the members of the faculty retired.

3-410. The Rev. Richard P. Mallery, Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum presented the unanimous recommendation of the Committee that Virgil McMurray Rogers, assistant professor of Old Testament Language and Literature at Princeton Theological Seminary, be invited to become Lecturer in the Department of Old Testament, beginning September 1, 1960, at a salary of \$6,500, plus rental allowance and family costs, with the expectation that in due time, General Synod would name him as the Gardner A. Sage Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis.

3-411. Mr. Mallery stated that Dr. Rogers had received his Ph.D. from Princeton University, had been ordained into the Presbyterian ministry by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, and had taught at Princeton Seminary for the past ten years. He is the co-author of a Hebrew grammar now used in more than twenty seminaries and has just completed the manuscript for a handbook for use with the grammar to be published this fall by the Abingdon Press. Mr. Mallery read letters of strong recommendation from Dr. James I. McCord, President of Princeton Seminary, and Professors Charles T. Fritsch, Norman Y. Hope, Edward T. Kuist, and Henry F. Gehman. Dr. Rogers has taught at the New Brunswick Seminary during the past term. The Committee learned that he had been received with much enthusiasm by the students. The Faculty unanimously endorsed him for the appointment.

3-412. Discussion followed. In answer to a question, Revs. Mallery and Palen stated that every effort had been made to find a man in the Reformed Church with the requisite teaching experience but without success. Mr. Mallery stated that Dr. Rogers was on campus for the Commencement exercises and was available for an interview. Upon motion, an invitation to appear before the Board was extended to Dr. Rogers and, in due course, President Vander Kolk introduced him to the Board. Several members asked him questions to which he replied freely and fully, after which he left the room.

3-413. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the recommendation of

the Committee on the Professorate with respect to Dr. Rogers (S-411 above).

S-414. The Rev. Mr. George H. Winn, Chairman of the Committee on the Professorate, presented several resolutions designed to amend the Plan of Reorganization of the Western Theological Seminary so that the term of office of a member of the Board of Superintendents is at the same time appointed to the Executive Committee (Directors), in accordance with his term on the Executive Committee (Directors). This did not have approval because, as Mr. Winn agreed in reply to a question, the length of term of Superintendents on the Board would then no longer be determined by the length of term as is required by our Church Order. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary be authorized to consult legal counsel of the Seminary to ascertain the steps required to secure such changes in the charter as might be necessary to make the terms of Superintendents who are likewise members of the Executive Committee (Directors) coincide and to report, with recommendations, at the next meeting of the Board of Superintendents.

S-415. It was moved, seconded and carried that the President and Secretary be authorized to fill such vacancies as may occur in Board Committees before the next meeting of the Board.

S-416. The Rev. Mr. Mallery presented recommendations from the Committee on the Professorate which were favorably acted upon, by motion in each instance after discussion, as follows:

- a. That Professor James C. Eelman be granted a leave of absence for the academic year of 1961-62 for study abroad in pursuance of his doctorate degree and that the matter be referred to the Committee on Finance for the making of financial arrangements in connection therewith. (The Faculty was in agreement with Mr. Eelman's request. In the expectation that a scholarship may be secured, no funds for a substitute teacher would be required.)
- b. That the Rev. Mr. Juckett, Assistant to the President, be also named Lecturer in the Department of Practical Theology, thereby giving him faculty status at the Seminary.
- c. That, in view of the expanding program of the Seminary and in response to a request from the Faculty, General Synod's Committee on the Professorate be requested to consider the wisdom of creating the position of associate professor of the Seminary. (Reference is made to this matter in the Report of the Faculty.)
- d. That the communication from the Faculty, Board of Trustees Committee of Western Theological Seminary appointed to study the constitutional requirements (Article II, Section 2, Paragraph c) for professorial certificates be referred to General Synod's Committee on the Professorate for study. (This subject was likewise referred to in the Report of the Faculty.)

S-417. The Treasurer, Mr. L. Russell Peakes, presented the budget for the year ending June 30, 1961 as amended and adopted at the previous meeting (S-380) subject to review at the May meeting when the financial experience for the first four months of 1960 were available. Mr. Peakes recommended that the budget be adopted without further change. Discussion followed. It was agreed that the salaries of the custodians would be studied by the Committee on Finance and the President of the Seminary. It was moved, seconded and carried that the budget for 1960-61 as presented by the Treasurer be adopted.

S-418. It was moved, seconded and carried (at 5:45 P.M.) that the meeting recess until 9:30 A.M., May 26, 1960. The Rev. Chester C. Chilton closed the meeting with prayer.

May 26, 1960

The meeting reconvened at 9:35 A.M. on Thursday, May 26, 1960, with the Rev. Donner B. Atwood in the Chair. The Rev. Mr. H. Paul Morehouse led in prayer.

S-419. The Rev. Mr. Cuyler T. E. Thayer reported for the Maclean Memorial Fund that \$3,300 had been received to date against a goal of \$10,000. He had sent alumni, former students and friends. It was agreed that some form of follow-up was needed and several suggestions were made which Mr. Thayer said he would take back to the Committee. Upon motion, the report was received.

S-420. The Rev. Mr. Ayle A. Schutter, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions (S-366) presented the following resolutions:

Dr. Hugh Baillie Maclean, M.A.; B.D.; S.T.M.; Th.D.

Dr. Hugh Baillie Maclean came to New Brunswick Seminary in 1947 and proceeded to build himself into the life of the Reformed Church in America. We took his faith and we took him to our hearts. Among the leaders and the congregations of the Church, his influence will be felt throughout the years to come.

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Board of Superintendents encourage the completion of the proposed memorial to his name, and thereby remind others to thank God for the lives of the saints who from their labors rest.

W. Carman Trembath, A.B.; B.D.

The Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary marks, with a profound sense of its loss, the death of a most devoted minister of Christ Jesus in the Reformed Church and a fellow-member of the Board of Superintendents, the late W. CARMAN TREMBATH. A faithful and valiant servant of the living Lord, Carman Trembath engaged in the spiritual warfare with the singular weapons of an unquestionable sincerity, evident humility and ceaseless zeal. He shared with all his kindly good cheer and joyful hope. By his witness and perseverance Carman Trembath led in the development of a strong church at Teaneck. He was deeply concerned for the life and work of the Reformed Church in America, and he served the interests of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick with pride and affection. Carman Trembath has bequeathed to his family, his parish and his Seminary the "hidden person of the heart with the imperishable jewel of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious."

Upon motion in each instance, followed by a brief period of silent prayer, these resolutions were adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes of the Board.

S-421. President Vander Kolk reported that, as authorized at the last meeting, (S-370,D) he had appointed a committee on Planning and Development with Messrs. L. Russell Penkes, Adrian C. Heerschap, George B. Howell, Howard Sheperd, Rev. Mr. Donner B. Atwood and himself. as members. The Committee had asked him to serve as chairman and Mr. Johnston as secretary. Two meetings of the Committee, of three hours each,

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had been held in New Brunswick, one in the afternoon so that the buildings and property could be inspected in detail. It is the present view of the Committee that the property, with the eventual addition of the two fraternity houses on George Street, be adequately developed to meet the Seminary's need for the foreseeable future. The Committee is currently concerned with planning for an increase in the student body from the present sixty to sixty-five to an anticipated ninety to one hundred. The needs are thought to be (1) a new building to house two faculty members. (The present building is rented off the campus this fall for Dr. Rogers.) (2) A building to house fifteen to eighteen married students (sixteen lived off the campus this past term.) (3) A new Chapel and more adequate administrative office space and more classrooms. A sum of \$500,000 to \$750,000 will be required for these purposes. A group of a dozen or so lay leaders from the three Eastern Synods have been invited to meet with the Committee on June 13 to discuss the needs of the Seminary. After discussion, the report, upon motion, was received.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned at 10:15 A.M. with the Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk giving the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Johnston
Harold Johnston
Secretary

October 25, 1960

A specially called meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held in the Parish House of the Second Reformed Church, New Brunswick, on Tuesday, October 25th, 1960. The President of the Board, the Rev. Donner B. Atwood, called the meeting to order at 9:40 A.M., and led the devotional service.

Those present were:

The Revs. Donner B. Atwood, Frederick Bosch, Elton J. Bruins, Chester C. Chilton, Louis H. Chisman, Timothy Cramer, Donald E. Hicks, Leonard A. Jones, Delbert L. Kinney, Harold H. Klein, Maurice Marcus, H. Paul Morehouse, Ernest Palen, Norman E. Thomas, Justin Vander Kolk, and the Messrs. Carl L. Cleaver, L. Russell Feakes, George B. Howell and Robert Thomas.

Dr. Vander Kolk spoke of events attendant upon the opening of the Seminary academic year:

The coming of Dr. Vander Lugt and Dr. Rogers.

An entering class of twenty-three - enrollment of sixty-six and the fruitful year anticipated.

He also spoke of the need of an additional faculty home for Dr. Rogers so that he might reside on the campus. Temporary housing has been arranged for Dr. Rogers for this academic year.

Three meetings of the Special Committee on Planning and Development have been held and a Master Plan has been drawn to include:

Duplex residence for professors

Apartment house to be erected at No. 1 Seminary Place to house 16 married students. The elimination of the house at No. 1 Seminary Place would necessitate another professor's residence, hence the proposal to erect a duplex residence.

A recommendation was made by the Buildings and Grounds Committee to the Executive Committee at its meeting in July that this duplex residence be erected, and the Executive Committee should seek the services of an architectural firm in order that preliminary studies might be prepared. The Executive Committee voted to refer the matter to the Board of Superintendents. Because of the time element involved it instructed the Buildings and Grounds Committee to engage an architect to draw up preliminary plans.

President Atwood reported on the meeting of the Advisory Group of Laymen and others in New York on July 13. Conclusions reached were:

1. The Board of Superintendents should determine what is to be done in regard to the development plan, and when.
2. When development plans are completed, the Board of Superintendents should proceed with plans to secure funds.
3. This group of lay people (from the three Eastern Synods) will stand behind this project.

Mr. Howell presented the sketch of the Development Plan as prepared by the Building and Grounds Committee, to include:

- Duplex professors' residences
- Apartment house for married students
- New classroom and administration building
- New garage
- New Chapel

This would probably take care of the needs for the next forty years. Priority is to be given to the duplex professors' dwelling, with two units now and possibly a third unit to be added later. The next item would be the erection of an apartment house for married students. Further possibilities were presented for the total campus development. Mr. Howell presented a more detailed plan for the duplex professors' dwelling to be situated on College Avenue end of the campus. Questions were presented to Mr. Howell and answered.

S-422. A motion to approve the action of the Executive Committee (D-346 of July, 1960) was entertained, supported and carried.

Mr. Feakes reported that the Finance Committee feels that funds would have to be borrowed to erect the duplex professors' dwelling if construction is to be undertaken before the total development plan is taken before the Church. Borrowing could be from a commercial bank or from our own Endowment Funds. If from the endowment funds, repayment must be from the Development Fund or from General Funds.

S-423. The motion to authorize construction of the duplex dwelling for professors, according to the plan presented by Mr. Howell, was supported.

Discussion followed in which the question was raised whether it might not be wiser to erect a three-family dwelling at once to take care of needs envisioned as arising in the not too distant future.

Substitute motion to authorize construction of additional faculty housing to meet present needs of faculty was supported. (Aye 12 - Nay 9) Carried.

The decision concerning the matter of a two or three-family dwelling was referred to the Executive Committee for action.

S-424. The motion to accept the proposal of Mr. Feakes to borrow from our Endowment Funds to finance this construction was supported, and carried.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned, upon motion, at 11:10 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Wilbur E. Ivins, Secretary Pro-tem

January 24 and 25, 1961

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Conference Room, Warwick Estates, Warwick, New York, on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 24 and 25, 1961. The Vice-President of the Board, the Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr., called the meeting to order, following luncheon, at 2:30 P. M. on January 24, 1961, and led in prayer. Mr. J. Harold Johnston acted as secretary of the meeting.

There were present:

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Revs. Cuyler T. E. Thayer (Bergen); Leonard A. Jones (New Brunswick); Wilbur E. Ivins (Paramus); Delbert L. Kinney (Passaic); and Maurine Marcus (Raritan).

From the Synod of New York: The Revs. George H. Winn (Orange); Albert N. Studley (Poughkeepsie); James Blane (Ulster); and Elton J. Bruins (Westchester).

From the Synod of Albany: The Revs. Louis H. Chisman (Albany); Donald E. Hicks (Columbia); H. Paul Morehouse (Greene); Ernest Crounse (Montgomery); George M. Flikkens (Rochester); Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga); Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady); and Cornelius Lepeltak (Schoharies).

From the Synod of Iowa: The Rev. James S. Boogerd.

Members at Large: The Revs. Richard P. Mallery, and Ayle A. Schutter; the Messrs. Carl L. Cleaver, Arie Contant, George B. Howell, J. Harold Johnston, and Robert W. Thomas.

President of the Seminary, the Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk.

Treasurer of the Seminary, Mr. L. Russell Feakes.

Secretary of the Board of Education, The Rev. Dr. Bernard J. Mulder.

Representative of the Alumni Association, the Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

Those who had indicated in advance their inability to attend were the Revs. Gerard C. Pool (Metropolitan New Jersey); Timothy A. Cramer (Philadelphia); Ernest R. Palen (New York); Donner B. Atwood (At Large); Randall C. Bosch (At Large); Harold H. Klein (At Large); Preston J. Stengenga (President of Northwestern College); and Mr. Adrian Heerschap (At-Large).

S-422. It was moved, seconded and carried, that the minutes of the meetings of the Board held on May 25 and 26, 1960, and on October 25, 1960, be approved as distributed to the members in mimeographed form.

S-423. The Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk read his report as president of the Seminary for the year of 1960. (Mimeographed copies were in the hands of the members.) Applause followed, as it was evident that the year had been one of substantial progress for the Seminary. Upon motion the report was received with thanks and ordered placed on file.

S-424. The Chair proposed that a special committee study the President's report and make such recommendations in connection with it as seemed wise and appropriate. There was no objection whereupon the Chair appointed the Revs. Thayer, Chairman; Bruins, Mallery and Mr. Contant to the committee.

S-425. Mr. Feakes, the Treasurer of the Seminary, presented (1) his report for the fiscal year of July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1960, with budget comparisons and comparisons with the years ending on June 30 in 1958 and 1959; (2) the balance sheet as

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at December 31, 1960, June 30, 1960 and December 31, 1959; (3) a statement of income and expenses for the six month periods ending December 31, 1960 and June 30, 1960; and (4) the list of special funds and the schedule of investments as at December 31, 1960; and (4) stated that the certified accounting firm of Baskins and Sells had audited the Seminary books at the close of the year on June 30, 1960 and that the report was available for inspection by any superintendent. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Treasurer's report be received and ordered placed on file.

S-426. In the discussion of the Treasurer's report, Dr. Mulder had pointed out the impossibility of accurately reconciling the report of contributions to the Seminary reported to General Synod for the calendar year and as they appear in the July 1-June 30 report of the Seminary Treasurer. He also stated that the Western Seminary used a different fiscal year than did New Brunswick. He expressed the hope that New Brunswick might return to the calendar year basis but, if not, monthly finance reports (instead of quarterly) would make possible the construction of a twelve month total for uniform reporting purposes. Mr. Peakes gave the reasons why the change had been made to the Seminary year. Upon motion, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

S-427. Mr. Peakes presented the proposed budget for the year ending June 30, 1962, compared with the budget for the year ending June 30, 1961. It called for total expenditures of \$172,600 (compared with \$164,600 and largely for wage and salary increases and required \$102,000 in church contributions to balance (compared with \$93,000 needed for 1960-61 and \$83,177 actually secured in 1959-60. In answer to a question, Mr. Peakes stated that recommendations #3, 4, and 5 in the report of the Faculty Committee on the Library were included in the budget and that undoubtedly a substantial part, if not all, of recommendations #1 and 2 could be undertaken within the \$30,000 budgeted for Repairs and Improvements. He added that the \$102,000 "asking budget" for 1962 had been submitted to the Stewardship Council. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the budget for 1961-62 as proposed by the Treasurer be approved but with the understanding that this action was subject to review at the May meeting of the Board.

S-428. Dr. Mulder stated the item in the Stewardship Council budget for both seminaries in 1959 had been \$167,000 of which \$90,000 had been designated for New Brunswick. The presidents of the five educational institutions had conferred in the drafting of the 1960 budget and \$185,000 had been allocated for the two seminaries, with \$92,500 going to each. Unfortunately the Stewardship Council total for 1960 was 5.768% short of its askings and thus the Board of Education was \$39,100 short of its total requirements. While there had been some sentiment at a recent meeting of the Stewardship Council to freeze all 1961 budgets at the 1960 figure because of undersubscription, the Committee had voted to recommend to the Council a 10% increase, thus raising the \$92,500 asking for New Brunswick in 1961 to \$101,750 for 1962 (compared with the Treasurer's \$102,000).

S-429. It was moved, seconded and carried that a vote of appreciation be extended to Mr. Peakes for his most capable and dedicated volunteer service to the Seminary.

S-430. The Rev. Mr. Mallery read the report of the Committee on Professorate which, after discussion, was received and ordered filed, upon motion.

S-431. The following recommendations from the Committee on Professorate were considered seriatim and, after discussion, formal action was taken as indicated:

1. That the name of Dr. Virgil McMurray Rogers be presented at the 1961 General

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Synod meeting for approval as a full professor of Theology in the Department of Old Testament (The Gardner A. Sage Chair). Approved.

2. That the Rev. Dr. Wallace N. Jamison, Abraham Messler Quick Professor of Church History, be elected as Dean of the Faculty, succeeding the late Rev. Dr. Hugh B. MacLean, to the office on February 1, 1961. Approved. In the discussion which preceded the unanimous vote, it was pointed out that some of the duties previously carried by Dean MacLean were now assigned to the Registrar, the Secretary of the Faculty and the Assistant to the President so that the additional duties Dr. Jamison would assume as Dean would not interfere with his full teaching schedule.

In outlining the "job description" of the position of Dean of the Faculty, Dr. Vander Kolk mentioned the following:

- (a) The Dean is in charge of the Seminary when the President is not on the campus. Thus he is "the second in command."
 - (b) The Dean speaks for the Faculty in academic matters. It is his responsibility to give thought to the total academic life of the Seminary and it is his special concern to keep the curriculum well balanced.
 - (c) The Dean represents the Seminary, if the President cannot attend or with the President as the case may be, at convocations, conferences and meetings of the American Association of Theological Schools, of sister and other academic institutions, of associations and societies in the academic and theological fields and of appropriate organizations in general. He files reports required by, and he corresponds with the A.A.T.S., governmental agencies and other authorities.
 - (d) The Dean recommends to the Board of Education scholarships for Seminary students.
3. That a telegram on behalf of the Board be sent to the Rev. and Mrs. Roger B. Juckett at the Chamberlain Memorial Hospital, Rockwood, Tenn., assuring them that they are very much in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Approved. (The Jucketts were on their way to a conference of Field Work Directors at Nashville, Tenn. Their car skidded on a patch of ice into a bridge abutment and Mr. Juckett was badly cut by glass on his face and neck.)

S-432. Mr. Howell, chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, presented his report for the year which, upon motion, was received and ordered placed on file.

S-433. The Rev. Mr. Lee L. Kester, Jr., representative of the Alumni Association, made a brief verbal report, stressing the desire of the association to secure the full \$10,000 for the Hugh Baillie MacLean Memorial Fund. (S-389 and S-390) A total of \$6,400 in cash and pledges has been received to date. It was Mr. Kester's hope that the objective of annual alumni giving to the Seminary in 1961 would be the MacLean Fund, rather than the general operating expenses of the Seminary.

S-434. The Rev. Mr. Ivins, chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, distributed copies of that Committee's report concerning interviews with the students of the entering class and in which the committee recorded "its pleasure" with the results of these interviews and expressed its feeling "that the

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above students are qualified to undertake the Seminary course." Upon motion, the report was received and ordered placed upon file.

S-435. The Rev. Mr. Ivins reported correspondence with President Vander Kolk with respect to the granting of the Professorial Certificate. This certificate, awarded by the Faculty, is issued by the Board of Superintendents to those students (members of the R.C.A.) who have satisfactorily completed all the courses of study prescribed by the General Synod for presentation to the appropriate Classis which entitles them to examination for licensure. Thus, at the May meeting of the Board, the Faculty presents its recommendations for the awarding of certificates to those who are graduating (at the close of the third term of their senior term). There are men, however, who complete their academic work at the close of the first or second term. President Vander Kolk proposed, therefore, that the Committee on Students and Examinations interview such students and, upon the recommendation of the Faculty, authorize the issuance of the Professorial Certificate on behalf of the Board of Superintendents. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the procedure as outlined be approved.

S-436. The Rev. Mr. Ivins reported that his committee had interviewed Messrs. Gerald Vander Hart and Robert Jones (who were completing their academic work at the close of the first and second terms respectively) and had recommended that the appropriate certificates and/or degrees be awarded to them as warranted by their academic attainments. It was moved, seconded and carried that this action of the Committee on Students and Examinations be confirmed.

At this point, 5:30 P.M., it was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting recess until 8:00 P.M. The Rev. Mr. Thayer closed the meeting with prayer.

The meeting reconvened, following dinner, at 8:30 P.M. with the Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr. in the chair. The Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer led the devotions. The wives who had accompanied their husbands were in attendance, upon the invitation of the chair.

S-437. President Vander Kolk spoke briefly about the discussions of the Committee on Planning and Development and Mr. George B. Howell showed slides of the plot plan and "studies" of each of the proposed new buildings except the future enlargement of the Library. He presented the following estimates of cost:

Building A - Faculty Residence, 3 units	\$115,000
Building B - Garage, 9 units	20,000
Building C - Married students' apts., 24 units	350,000
Building D - Classrooms and offices	160,000
Building E - Chapel, with organ	175,000
Building F - Library enlargement	100,000
Architectural Fees	67,000
Site work, lawns, plantings, paths, driveways, etc.	70,000
Equipment, furnishings, legal fees, borings, other fees, etc.	43,000
Contingencies	150,000
Total for buildings and grounds	\$1,250,000

Endowment to provide funds for the increased maintenance and upkeep of the new facilities on the rule of thumb of \$1.00 of endowment for each \$1.00 of building	\$1,250,000
Grand total needed	\$2,500,000

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Discussion followed, during which the question was raised, "If a sum as large as \$2,500,000 must be raised to enlarge and modernize the facilities on the present campus, why not move out into the country and start over with ample space?" Johnston reminded the Board that about three years ago, the Board of Trustees of Rutgers University had informed President James that they had no interest in purchasing the property. Dr. Vander Kolk stated that no estimates of the replacement of Sage Library, Hertzog Hall, the President's house, the Missionary House and Faculty and other residences on a new site had been made but it seemed evident that a total greatly in excess of the \$2,500,000 would be required for the purpose, sums which he believed were beyond the ability of the Seminary to secure.

Reasons advanced for not leaving the present site were:

- (a) The present campus, which actually comprises more than eight acres, is adequate for a student body of twice the present enrollment. Additional facilities can be erected at any time on Bishop Place and further expansion would be possible by acquiring the fraternity houses on George Street.
- (b) The location at the center of the State University Campus may be regarded, on the whole, as advantageous. The University affords many cultural and educational opportunities.
- (c) New Brunswick is at a "cross-roads" of major importance with respect to turnpikes, railways and highways, and will be even more strategically located when the "East-West Highway" and the Narrows are completed.
- (d) The Seminary could not be better located from the viewpoint of field work for the students, a part of the curriculum which is to be stressed increasingly.
- (e) Jobs for "working wives" are more plentiful in a city like New Brunswick than in a country area and shopping and service facilities are available "on foot" rather than by automobile.
- (f) The Seminary does not envision becoming a large "academic institution." It aims only to serve the denomination and, consequently, the present area of the campus and its location is adequate for its task.

S-438. After further discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried without a dissenting vote that (1) the general plan for the development of the campus as prescribed by the Committee on Planning and Development and as recommended by the Executive Committee be adopted, and that (2) the President be empowered to consult those experts in the field of fund raising for the purpose of devising ways and means of securing the necessary funds and that (3) the President be authorized to prepare an application and file it with the Stewardship Council for such part of the development program as, in his judgment, seemed wise at this time.

S-439. Mr. Howell reported that, after considering the discussion at the October, 1960, meeting of the Board of Superintendents (S-423), the Executive Committee had restudied the matter of erecting a three unit faculty residence at this time but as the third unit would not be needed until some years after the residence for married students was completed and as the need for the married students residence was urgent, it did not seem wise to borrow funds at this time for an unneeded faculty unit but to make every effort to build the residence for married students as quickly as possible. Therefore, the Executive Committee had authorized the architect to prepare working drawings for a two unit faculty residence.

S-440. Dr. Mulder, in answer to questions, reminded those present that, after two church-wide campaigns (United Advance, Eendracht), the Church had clearly said that it wanted one integrated program for both operations and capital and thus the Stewardship Program had come into being by action of General Synod, although originally the New Brunswick Seminary had failed to submit an asking amount for capital structure budget and so was not in the original program, the other three institutions had reduced their askings in order to include New Brunswick for \$25,000 a year for five years. Unfortunately, the response to the capital part of the program by the churches has been nil and in the two years, the Seminary, and the boards, have received nothing. Needs are piling up and proposals are sure to be made to General Synod that the capital structure part of the program be abandoned. What the mind of the Church will be is unknown. In any event, until General Synod does change the program, the Seminary must lay its plans before the Stewardship Council and secure its approval of any fund raising program among the churches (not among individuals).

S-441. Dr. Vander Kolk read the report of the Faculty Committee on the Library, which, after discussion, and upon motion, was received and placed on file.

S-442. The following recommendations were presented seriatim and, upon motion in each instance, action was taken as indicated:

1. That renovation of the Bible Room be completed, if possible, so that it can be dedicated as the MacLean Room at the May Commencement. Approved in principle, referred to Committee on Buildings and Grounds.
2. That in the next fiscal year funds be provided for the next step in library building improvement: namely, rest room facilities and floor covering in the Wessells addition. Approved in principle. Referred to Committee on Buildings and Grounds.
3. That in the budget for the next fiscal year the allocation for supplies be raised from \$800 to \$1,000. Approved.
4. That the stipends for clerical workers in the library during the next fiscal year be increased ten per cent. Approved.
5. That all the other budgetary items be maintained at the present levels. Approved.

S-443. The Chair introduced Mrs. Justin Vander Kolk, President of the Women's Auxiliary of the Seminary, who told about the work of the Auxiliary. In 1960, almost \$6,000 had been received in response to appeals by mail and the Auxiliary had used the money to supplement the comfort and well being of the students by painting and refurnishing the student lounge, carpeting and furnishing the speech studio, replacing furniture in student rooms, increasing bathroom facilities, providing tile for the basement corridor, etc. About twenty-four women, living within a radius of twenty-twenty five miles, constitute the Auxiliary. The term of service, except for faculty wives, is three years and while the Auxiliary is not a part of the official structure of the Department of Women's Work, it has the blessing of the Department because experience has shown that it does not "drain off" funds from the boards. The Chair expressed the deep appreciation of the Board of Superintendents to her and to the Auxiliary.

Upon motion, at 10:50 P.M., the meeting recessed until 9:00 A.M. The Rev. Mr. Mallory closed the session with prayer.

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The meeting reconvened at 9:10 A.M., Wednesday, January 25, 1961, with the Rev. Mr. Kester in the Chair. The Rev. Elton J. Bruins led the devotions.

S-444. In the absence of the Rev. Mr. Pool, chairman of the Committee on Promotion, the Rev. Mr. Ayle A. Schutter read the report of that Committee on report, upon motion was received and ordered placed on file. The following recommendations of the Committee were considered separately and, upon motion in each instance, the action, as indicated, was taken:

1. That the Seminary make available for newspaper use mats of all Faculty members. (Approved)
2. That the News Letter be continued and be put in better format, and that wider distribution be sought. (Approved)
3. That Sunday, October 29, 1961, be designated for observance as Seminary Sunday, and that appropriate materials be provided. (Approved)

S-445. The Special Committee appointed to study the President's report (S-424) reported as follows:

1. The Committee concurs in the recommendation of the A.A.T.S. Counselling Team that President Vander Kolk needs leisure in the summer to do the necessary reading in theology and theological education and recommends that the Board of Superintendents insist that he take not less than six weeks of vacation each year for rest and study.
2. The Committee agrees that a systematic recruitment program for candidates for the ministry should be undertaken and recommends that the President be empowered to appoint a committee to develop such a program and to put it into action at the earliest possible moment. (later in the meeting, Dr. Vander Kolk appointed the Rev. Mr. Thayer, Alumni Association; the Revs. Ivins, L. A. Jones, B. J. Mulder and Mr. Robert W. Thomas as members of this Committee.)
3. The Committee recommends that the Committee on Promotion remind pastors of the actions of the Board a year ago (S-370,D) in urging pastors to send to Dr. Vander Kolk the names and addresses of laymen for the "Friends of the Seminary" mailing list so that they might receive informative material about the Seminary from time to time and that the Committee follow up the request with persistence.
4. In that General Synod at its last meeting had not taken favorable action on the proposal that the librarian of the Seminary be given full professorship status, the Committee recommends that the Seminary establish the rank of Associate Professor and that until such time as General Synod takes the desired action, the librarian, the Rev. Peter N. VandenBerge, be given the rank of Associate Professor.
5. It is the view of the Committee that the shaping of the curriculum is primarily a responsibility of the faculty, in partnership with the Board of Superintendents, and thus it recommends that the questions raised by the President about the "teaching ministry" be referred to the Faculty for study and report in due course.

S-446. Upon motion in each instance, recommendation #1, 2, 3 and 5 above were adopted and #4 was referred to the Committee on the Professorate for study and report. The report, upon motion, was received.

S-447. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Counseling Committee of the American Association of Theological Schools be referred to the Executive Committee for the purpose of referring the suggestions and recommendations to the appropriate committees of the Board for study and report. It was moved and seconded that the motion be amended by adding "and that the student body be informed that (1) the report had been received and is now under study by the Board and Faculty and that (2) in due course the students will be made acquainted with the matter." The amendment was adopted as was the original motion as amended.

S-448. The Secretary reported that he had had several meetings with Mr. Woodbridge Strong of the firm of Strong and Strong, legal counsel to the Seminary, with respect to securing changes in the Seminary's charter under New Jersey law to name the terms of Superintendents and members of the Executive Committee (Directors) coincide, (s-414), and that he had familiarized himself with many of the changes which had been made in the "Plan of Reorganization" of the Seminary since the first changes were made in 1912. It was clear to Mr. Strong, Dr. Vander Kolk and himself that another reorganization would be necessary to implement such changes as would be made in the charter. It was moved, seconded and carried that President Vander Kolk be authorized to appoint a Special Committee on Reorganization to report at the May meeting, if possible. Dr. Vander Kolk subsequently appointed Mr. Johnston, Chairman; Mr. Murray, the Revs. Kester, Mallery and Vander Kolk.

S-449. It was moved, seconded and carried that the President of the Seminary express verbally to the President of the Women's Auxiliary to the Seminary, the Board's deep appreciation for the activities of the Auxiliary.

S-450. The Rev. George H. Winn, chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the report of that Committee. In some instances, other nominations were made from the floor. The customary motions were made and the following were duly nominated to General Synod:

For members at large of the Board of Superintendents, for terms expiring in 1967:

- Rev. Thomas Boslooper, Ph.D
- Rev. James J. Thomas, Ph.D.

For the term expiring in 1962:

- Mr. Adrian Heerschap

For members of the Executive Committee, for terms expiring in 1967:

- Rev. Chester C. Chilton (In place of Rev. Dr. Palen)
- Rev. Maurice Marcus (In place of Rev. N.E. Thomas)

For the term expiring 1965:

- Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer (In place of Rev. G. H. Curtis)

For term expiring 1962:

- Rev. Wilbur E. Ivins (In place of Rev. Donner B. Atwood)

S-451. The Rev. Mr. Winn presented nominations for membership on Committees. The following were appointed, upon motion and vote:

Committee on Students and Examinations

Rev. Wilbur E. Ivins, Chairman
 Rev. Elton J. Bruins
 Rev. Harold H. Klein

Rev. Cornelius Lepeltak
 Rev. H. Paul Luther
 Rev. Bayler T. E. Thayer

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum

Rev. Richard P. Mallery, Chairman
 Mr. Carl L. Cleaver
 Mr. J. Harold Johnston
 Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

Rev. Maurice Marcus
 Rev. H. Paul Morehouse
 Rev. Runyon L. Wolff

Committee on Library and Museum

Rev. Leonard A. Jones, Chairman
 Rev. Louis H. Chrisman
 Mr. Arie Contant
 Rev. Delbert L. Kinney

Mr. Howard C. Sheperd
 Rev. James J. Thomas
 Rev. George H. Winn

Committee on Promotion

Rev. Ayle A. Schutter, Chairman
 Mr. Horace C. Bailer
 Rev. James Blane
 Rev. Frederick R. Bosch

Rev. Thomas Boslooper
 Mr. Adrian Heerschap
 Mr. Robert W. Thomas

Committee on Nominations

Rev. George H. Winn, Chairman
 Rev. Chester C. Chilton
 Rev. Timothy A. Cramer
 Rev. Ernest Crounse

Mr. Roy C. Helgesen
 Mr. J. Harold Johnston
 Rev. Albert N. Studley

S-452. Dr. Vander Kolk appointed the following as members of the Committee on Planning and Development:

Rev. Justin Vander Kolk
 Rev. Donner B. Atwood
 Mr. L. Russell Feakes
 Mr. Adrian Heerschap

Mr. George B. Howell
 Mr. J. Harold Johnston
 Mr. Howard C. Sheperd

S-453. The Rev. Mr. Winn placed in nomination for the indicated offices (the term of Treasurer and the Secretary do not expire at this time):

For President:

The Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

For Vice-President:

Dr. Roger F. Murray, 2nd.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot for the election of these men. This was done and they were declared duly elected for terms expiring at the close of the next annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents.

S-454. Dr. Vander Kolk announced that the Commencement meeting of the Board would be held on May 24 and 25 and that the Fall Convocation would be held on October 24. He expressed deep appreciation to the members of the Board for their sustained interest in the Seminary and the fine support and cooperation they given him during the past year.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M. Dr. Vander Kolk led in the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Harold Johnston
 J. Harold Johnston, Secretary

May 24, 1961

The regular Spring Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Gardner Sage Library on the Seminary campus, New Brunswick, on Wednesday, 24, 1961. The Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr., President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M., and led in prayer. In the absence of Mr. Johnston, the Rev. Ayle A. Schutter acted as secretary pro tem.

There were present:

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Revs. Cuyler T. E. Thayer (Bergen), Albert C. Freeman (Newark), Leonard A. Jones (New Brunswick), Wilbur E. Ivins (Paramus, Delbert L. Kinney (Passaic), Maurice Marcus (Raritan).

From the Synod of New York: The Revs. Frederick R. Bosch (Long Island North), George H. Winn (Orange).

From the Synod of Albany: The Revs. Louis H. Chisman (Albany), Donald E. Hicks (Columbia), H. Paul Morehouse (Greene), Ernest Crounse (Montgomery), George M. Flikkema (Rochester), Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga), Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady), and Cornelius Lepeltak (Schoharie).

From the Synod of Michigan: The Rev. Harland Steele.

Members-at-Large: The Revs. Lee L. Kester, Jr., Harold H. Klein, Richard P. Mallory, Ayle A. Schutter, Messrs. Randall C. Bosch, Carl L. Cleaver, Arie Contant, Adrian Heerschap, George B. Howell, Roger F. Murray, and Robert W. Thomas.

President of the Seminary: The Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk

Treasurer of the Seminary: Mr. L. Russell Peakes

Those who had indicated in advance their inability to attend were: The Rev. Donner B. Atwood (At-Large), James Blane (Ulster), Irwin J. Lubbers (Hope College), Bernard J. Mulder (Board of Education), Ernest R. Palen (New York), Gerard C. Pool (Metropolitan New Jersey), Preston J. Stegenga (Northwestern College), Albert H. Studley (Poughkeepsie), Messrs. R. Earl Haley (At-Large), J. Harold Johnston (At-Large), and Arend D. Lubbers (Central College).

The minutes of the previous meeting held on January 24 and 25, 1961, were approved, upon motion, as distributed to the members by mail prior to this meeting.

S-455. The Rev. Mr. Jones presented a report for the Committee on the Library indicating that, in conformity with the recommendations of the consultants made in the fall of 1958 and approved by the Board, a new heating system had been installed in the Library in 1959-60, and a new floor installed in the basement, all at a cost of \$25,000, while in 1960-61 a new lighting system had been installed at a cost of \$13,000. The Committee made the following recommendations:

- 1) That the Board proceed immediately with the installation of lavatory facilities, at an approximate figure of \$6,000.
- 2) That floors in the Wessels Building and MacLean Bible Room be replaced at an estimated figure of up to \$2,000 each.
- 3) That additional floors be replaced where needed, up to the limit of the amount budgeted for improvements for the year.
- 4) We further recommend that \$1,500 from the MacLean Memorial funds be used to redecorate and re-furnish the MacLean Room, in order that the room may be dedicated in the Fall of 1961.

In the discussion which followed, it was pointed out that a total of \$26,000 was available for repairs and improvements for all of the Seminary buildings

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and that while as much of this as possible would be used in the Library, there were pressing and sometimes emergency needs elsewhere on the campus. Upon motion, in each case, the recommendations were disposed of as follows:

- 1) To the Committee on Finance and Building and Grounds
- 2) Approved
- 3) Approved
- 4) To the Executive Committee (Directors) with power to act. The chair stated the MacLean Fund was, in substance, an endowment fund and that only the income was to be used.

S-456. Brief comment was made on behalf of the Committee on Promotion for the excellent publicity materials the Seminary had developed this past year and attention was drawn to the display in the rear of the room. The report was received, upon motion,

S-457. Mr. Howell, chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, reported that working drawings for the two apartment faculty residence were about completed and that the architect was confident that the September 1st completion date would be kept. He expressed concern that projects of special interest to the Board members might result in a reduction of the funds required to keep the buildings in good repair and the grounds in proper order. Upon motion, the report was received.

S-458. In the absence of Mr. Johnston, the secretary pro tem distributed copies of and read a report dated April 26, 1961 from the special committee appointed to prepare amendments to the Plan of Organization of the Seminary (S-448). It was moved, seconded and carried that, with the President and Treasurer, the Secretary, at the time of his election, need not be a member of the Board but that during his term of office, he be a member of the Board and the Executive Committee.

S-459. The following recommendations for the amendment of the Plan were discussed and, upon motion in each instance, approved:

- 1) That the title of the President of the Board of Superintendents be changed to Chairman
- 2) That Classes be represented by "one representative" instead of "one minister"
- 3) That the number of members-at-large of the Board be increased to 24 of whom at least 18 shall be laymen
- 4) That the membership of the Executive Committee (Directors) be increased from 17 to 22, that in addition to the 6 ex-officio members, 8 laymen and 8 ministers be chosen, and that the quorum be increased to 7 members
- 5) That the Nominating Committee be composed of the Chairman, the President, the Secretary and two Members-at-Large from the Board appointed by the President
- 6) That the terms of all Board and Committee members begin on July 1 of each year
- 7) That the annual meeting of the Board be held in October
- 8) That the quorum for Board meetings be increased to 20 members
- 9) That the number required to request the call of a special meeting be increased to 10 members

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board respectfully request General Smed to amend the Plan of Organization as presented.

S-460. At this point, the members of the Graduating Class arrived and after prayer by the Rev. Mr. Marcus, Dean Jamison introduced each member by name to the Board. After some felicitous words by the Chair, the Class retired.

S-461. The Faculty, Profs. Kooy, Jamison, Eelman, Vander Lugt, VandenBerge and Juckett were received and the Rev. Mr. Kester greeted them on behalf of the Board. The annual report of the Faculty was presented by the Rev. Mr. VandenBerge, Secretary of the faculty, after which it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received. A question and answer period followed the reading of the report, after which the members of the faculty retired.

S-462. The Rev. Mr. Ivins, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, reported that members of the Committee had met with each member of the Senior Class and had read and studied sermons and certain written work submitted by each man. The Committee joined the faculty in recommending that the appropriate degrees and certificates be awarded to the men.

S-463. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the advancement of students, the awarding of Professorial and of Work Completion Certificates and the Bachelor of Divinity degrees as recommended in the annual report of the faculty and the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations be granted.

S-464. The Committee on Students and Examinations requested that the Board of Superintendents grant to it specific authority to act for the Board in granting a Professional Certificate to a student who completes his academic work before the end of the school year and requires such a certificate in order to be examined for licensure. It was moved, seconded and carried that such authority be granted the Committee.

S-465. The Rev. Richard P. Mallery, Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum, reported that Prof. James C. Eelman had been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study at the University of Utrecht during his sabbatical leave, 1961-62, and that arrangements were nearly completed for the teaching of his course during his absence. (S-416) The Rev. Drs. M. Stephen James, Howard Hageman and Paul Scherer have been secured to date.

The Committee presented the following recommendations:

- 1) That the Board concur with the recommendation of the Executive Committee (Directors) (D-371) that the resignation of the Rev. Roger B. Juckett dated April 6, 1961, as Assistant to the President and Director of Student Field Work and Church Relations be reluctantly accepted to take effect on July 31, 1961, as requested by him, and that the following resolution be adopted and inscribed on the minutes of this Board and a copy sent to Mr. Juckett:

"Whereas the Reverend Roger B. Juckett has served with notable faithfulness and high devotion as a member of the Faculty at New Brunswick Theological Seminary during the past two years---

And whereas, Mr. Juckett has submitted his resignation from the position of Assistant to the President and Director of Student Field Work and Church Relations at the Seminary---

And whereas, The Board of Superintendents recognizes the indebtedness of our Seminary to Mr. Juckett for his worthy service---

And whereas, the Board of Superintendents has moved to accept with regret the

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resignation of Mr. Juckett to be effective July 31, 1961---

Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary declare our deep appreciation to the Rev. Roger B. Juckett for the singular spirit of concern which marked his ministry, his service as a member and former president of this Board, and the gracious enthusiasm with which he undertook his duties at the Seminary---

Furthermore, we hereby declare our abiding gratitude to Almighty God for the excellent gifts and the strength of character which have blessed this school during his brief years of service, giving thanks to God, and remembering before Him our brother and friend as he enters into a new ministry."

- 2) That the request of Dr. Vernon H. Kooy for a sabbatical leave from the Seminary during the school year of 1962-63 be granted in view of his nine years of teaching at the Seminary. (Dr. Kooy plans to spend time at the American Schools of Oriental Research at Jerusalem and studying under Dr. von Rad, Professor of Old Testament at the University of Heidelberg)
- 3) That the present practice of granting one-half a year's salary to professors on a year's sabbatical leave be increased to two-thirds of a year's salary, effective July 1, 1961.
- 4) That the Seminary provide catastrophe insurance through the Board of Pensions R.C.A. for each professor and family at the current rate of \$60.00 per year, beginning June 1, 1961.

S-466. Upon motion in each instance, action was taken on the above recommendations as follows:

- 1) Approved, and the resolution adopted
- 2) Approved, and the leave granted
- 3) Action deferred until the budget is presented
- 4) Action deferred until the budget is presented

S-467. Mr. Feakes, the Treasurer, reported briefly on the current fiscal condition of the Seminary. To April 30, 1961, income totaled \$152,432 and expenses \$143,054. Thus, if during May and June, expenses do not exceed income by more than \$9,378, the result for the year will be satisfactory. This will depend largely on how much of the \$13,529 needed to meet the church contribution total is received because no substantial amount of savings is expected in the remaining \$21,546 budget for expense items.

S-468. Mr. Feakes presented the proposed budget for the year beginning July 1, 1961, calling for expenditures of \$170,300 (compared with the current budget of \$164,600) and contributions from the churches equaling \$97,300 (compared with \$93,000 for 1960-61). The budget provided for interest in anticipated borrowing for new construction, a \$500 annual increase in faculty salaries beginning January 1, 1962, provision for extra secretarial assistance and the additional expense which would be incurred because of Mr. Eelman's absence. It had been necessary to reduce the Repairs and Improvements item to \$26,000 (from \$35,000) to balance the budget. Discussion followed.

It was moved, seconded and carried that, beginning July 1, 1961, the Seminary grant (1) three-quarters of the annual salary to professors on a sabbatical leave of one year (instead of the current one-half) and (2) catastrophe insurance for faculty members and their families.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the budget for 1961-62 be amended to include the above two items (estimated to cost \$1,500 for the year) and that the budget be adopted as amended.

S-469. In reporting for the Committee on Planning and Development, Dr. Vander Kolk reported that he and Mr. Feakes had appeared before the Stewardship Council (D-376) to present the request of the Board (S-438) that the Seminary be permitted to conduct a campaign among the churches for \$2,500,000, of which \$1,250,000 would be for buildings and \$1,250,000 for endowment. The Council referred the request to the Board of Education which endorsed the proposal and instructed the Seminary to present it to General Synod. In an effort to acquaint the delegates to General Synod with the problems of the Seminary, two "inspection tours" were held on the campus earlier this month with some 60 in attendance. Later this month a meeting will be held in Albany for the same purpose. Upon motion, the report was approved.

S-470. The Rev. Mr. Thayer reported for the Special Committee on Recruitment (S-445 and D-378). Three members of the Committee made presentations as follows:

The Rev. Mr. Jones—"The contact between the Minister and the Boy" in which the need for the preparation of literature for distribution to both ministers and boys was stressed.

The Rev. Mr. Ivins—"Recruitment on the Classis Level" in which the need for organizing committees, urging ministers to take the initiative and to encourage them, and programs to stimulate positive recruitment efforts was stressed.

Mr. Thomas—"What Other Seminaries are Doing in Recruitment" in which he suggested that while recruiting was primarily a matter for local ministers, other seminaries were providing the incentive for ministers to recruit and were arranging conferences on church vocations.

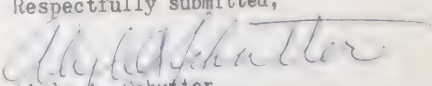
The Committee presented two recommendations as follows:

- 1) That the Seminary appoint as soon as possible a member of the staff to execute the recruitment program as it is developed by the Committee and Board, and,
- 2) That the representatives of Classes on the Board be involved in motivating all ministers to participate in recruitment, and that the first step in this direction be supper meetings in each Classis for ministers and their wives for fellowship and discussion of the need for recruitment and suggestions as to how to proceed, and that the classical representatives report on such meetings to the Committee on Recruitment before the January meeting of the Board.

After discussion, and by motion in each instance, the Committee was authorized to refer the first recommendation to Dean Jamison and the second recommendation was adopted.

Dr. Vander Kolk requested as many as possible to meet with him in the Library the next morning at 9:00 A.M. to discuss the presentation of the Development Program to be made at General Synod.

The meeting adjourned, upon motion, at 6:45 P.M., and Dr. Vander Kolk led in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

 Ayle A. Schutter
 Secretary pro tem

October 23, 1961

A duly called meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the North Brunswick Reformed Church, North Brunswick, N. J. on Monday, October 23, 1961. The Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr., Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:25 A.M., and presided. Mr. J. Harold Johnston, Secretary of the Board, acted as secretary. The Rev. Maurice Marcus gave the opening devotions.

There were present:

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Revs. Cuyler F.E. Thayer (Bergen); Joseph L. Peck, Jr., (Newark); Leonard A. Jones (New Brunswick); Wilbur T. Ivins and Robert T. Marsh (Passaic); Delbert L. Kinney (Passaic); and Maurice Marcus (Raritan).

From the Synod of New York: The Revs. Stanley S. Slingerland (Brooklyn); Douglas R. MacDonald (Nassau-Suffolk); Herman L. Barbery (New York); George H. Winn (Orange); H. Studley (Poughkeepsie); Fred R. Bosch (Queens); and Richard J. Skoog (Westchester).

From the Synod of Albany: The Revs. Louis H. Chisman (Albany); Donald E. Hicks (Columbia); H. Paul Morehouse (Greene); Ernest Crounse (Montgomery); Gordon H. Curtis (Rochester); Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga); Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady); and Cornelius Lepeltak (Schoharie).

From the Particular Synods of

Chicago - Rev. Ralph H. Cordes

Iowa - Rev. James S. Booger

Members-at-Large: The Revs. Thomas Boslooper; Harold H. Klein; Richard P. Mallory; Ayle A. Schutter; and James J. Thomas; and Messrs. Carl L. Cleaver, Arie Contant; Adrian C. Heerschap; George B. Howell; and Roger F. Murray, II.

By virtue of Office:

Mr. L. Russell Peakes, Treasurer

Mr. J. Harold Johnston, Secretary

Rev. L. L. Kester, Jr., Alumni Association Representative

Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, President, Hope College

Dr. Justin Vander Kolk, President, New Brunswick Seminary

Guest:

Mr. C. C. Lane of Ward, Dreshman & Reinhardt, Inc.

Those who had indicated their inability to attend in advance of the meeting were: The Revs. Timothy A. Cramer; Harland Steele; John J. Soeter; and B. J. Mulder; and Messrs. R. Earl Haley; R. C. Helgesen; Arend D. Lubbers; Howard C. Shepherd; and P. J. Stengenga.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on May 24, 1961 had been distributed to the members of the Board in mimeographed form previous to the meeting. No corrections or omissions had been noted. It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the May 24th meeting be approved.

The Secretary read a letter dated September 13, 1961 from the Secretary of the Faculty expressing the Faculty's deep appreciation for the Board's special interest in their welfare and for the fine relationship which exists between them and the Board.

S-471. President Vander Kolk read the annual report of the president and applause followed the reading. The recommendation in the report that a special advisory council to the president be appointed from the membership of the Executive Committee (Directors to give counsel and guidance in all matters relating to the development program and to im-

the actions taken by the Board and Executive Committee (Directors) in herewith was considered. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the appointment of an advisory council be approved. Upon motion, the President's report as a whole was accepted to Dr. Vander Kolk.

The Treasurer, Mr. Peakes, presented the financial report of the Semi-annual report for 1961, showing that the cash balance at the end of the year was \$1,000.00.

Mr. Peakes presented the certificate of the auditing firm of Haskins and Sells. After it was moved, seconded and carried that the treasurer's report be received, approved and placed on file.

The Secretary reported that General Synod had accepted the Plan of Organization of the Seminary as requested by the Board of Superintendents and approved all the changes that had become effective with the adjournment of General Synod on June 1, 1961. Printed copies of the "Plan of 1961" were distributed to those present (The folder from the "Orange Book" of June, 1961). Mr. Johnston also reported that the Committee (Directors) had adopted the necessary resolutions at a meeting that morning to secure the necessary changes in the Seminary's Certificate of Incorporation under New Jersey law to bring that document into conformity with General Synod's amendments to the Plan of Organization.

S-474. The Rev. Mr. Wilbur E. Ivins, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Admissions presented a written report giving the names of sixteen entering students interviewed by the Committee on September 13, 1961. The Committee members were well pleased with the results of their interviews and felt that these students were qualified to undertake the ordinary course. Upon motion, the report was received and ordered placed on file.

S-475. The Rev. Mr. Richard P. Mallory presented the report of the Committee on Professors, Instruction and Curriculum in written form, in which were named the lecturers in the Department of Pastoral and Practical Theology who would carry the courses of the Rev. Dr. Jackson during the latter's Sabbatical leave of absence. In addition to the report, the Committee distributed copies of a dossier on the Rev. J. Renwick Jackson, Jr., B.A., B.D. and Ph.D. whose appointment is under consideration for appointment as a lecturer in the Department of Christian Education for the year 1962-63 (Dr. Jackson had just sailed for a nine months trip abroad, including attendance at the World Council of Churches meeting in New Delhi, India, this winter, and thus could not be personally presented to the Board.) It was the Committee's hope that it would be in a position to make recommendations with reference to a professorship in the Department of Christian Education following the period of Dr. Jackson's teaching at the Seminary but Mr. Mallory made it clear that this did not in any way preclude the consideration of other possible candidates. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received, approved and placed on file.

S-476. Mr. Peakes, Chairman of the Finance Committee reported that the Executive Committee (Directors) (D-403) had approved salary increases beginning January 1, 1962, as follows: Professors from \$7,000 to \$7,500 annually; President, from \$9,000 to \$10,000; Librarian, from \$5,000 to \$5,800 (he receives an additional \$1,200 for his work as instructor); and additional salary for the Dean, from \$300 to \$500 per year. Upon motion, these increases were approved. The Committee had also recommended (D-404) that tuition be increased for the year beginning January 1, 1962 from \$225 to \$315 per year, with the tuition scholarship available for each entering Reformed Church student being increased from \$175 to \$225 per year. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the recommendation be approved.

S-477. Mr. Johnston, secretary of the Special Committee on Planning and Development, reported that with the employment of the Fund Raising Counseling firm of Ward, Breshman & Associates, Inc., the program of the Committee had been completed. The newly authorized Advisory

Council to the President would presumably give counsel in matters relating to the development program. He therefore moved that this be received as the final report of the Committee on Planning and Development and that the Committee be discharged (the Chair added with thanks!). The motion was seconded and passed.

S-478. Mr. Clinton C. Lane, partner of the firm of Ward, Dreshman & Peirce, Inc., reported on the many conferences which had been held in connection with the proposed campaign for capital funds in the Particular Synod of New Jersey (D-394, D-399, etc.), and that, in his judgment, a spirit of unity had developed among all concerned which he thought was satisfactory. He distributed a number of documents, including the proposed organization for the campaign. A number of questions were asked by members of the Board and answered by Mr. Lane and Dr. Vander Kolk.

The hour of 11:35 A.M. having arrived, the meeting was recessed, upon motion until 2:00 P.M. (so that meetings of Committees and by Synods might be held.)

Following the luncheon in the Parish House of the Church, at which the members of the Faculty were the Board's guests, the Rev. Mr. Peter L. VandenBerge, Librarian, reported that the Sealantic Fund had made available a sum of \$875,000 to the American Theological Library Association to be used to strengthen the book collections of the member seminaries. Under the proposal, the Fund would match dollar for dollar up to a maximum of \$3,000 per year for the next three years, moneys spent for the purchase of books over and above the present book budget, and for a selected number of institutions which showed interest in increasing their library efforts in cooperation with the program, the project would continue for two additional years, on a two dollars of Fund money for one of the library's, up to a total of \$6,000 per year. The Seminary's base figure is \$4,750 (based upon book expenditures for the past two years) so that expenditures for books in excess of this amount for the year beginning July 1, 1961 would qualify (our budget for 1961-62 calls for \$5,400 to be so spent). Mr. VandenBerge outlined in some detail the kind of purchases which could be made under the grant and the many advantages which would accrue to the Seminary if the proposal was accepted. The intention to participate in the grant for the first year and the amount of money expected to be spent during that year must be filed by January 1, 1962. Discussion followed.

The meeting reconvened at 2:00 P.M. and the Rev. Leonard A. Jones led in devotions.

S-479. The Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Robert T. Marsh, Stanley S. Slingerland and Harold H. Klein as a Resolutions Committee for the meeting.

S-480. The Rev. Mr. Leonard A. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Library and Museum, reported the report of the Faculty Committee on the Library, copies of which had been distributed to those present. He stated that the Board's Committee on the Library had met and he presented three recommendations as follows:

1. That the budget item for the purchase of books and periodicals for the year 1961-62 be increased to \$7,750, or that other resources be found, so that the full matching sum of \$3,000 for that year may be secured from the Sealantic Fund.
2. That the need for renovating the exterior of the building (at an estimate cost of \$12,000), the electrification of the book elevator in the rear and the installation of a new one in the front of the building, creation of a new circulation and study area near the entrance, the purchase of new equipment, such as a circulation desk, and new flooring and redecoration all as outlined in the original survey are matters requiring attention as soon as funds permit.
3. That authorization to organize a program of "Friends of Sage Library" be

until after the capital improvements campaign was completed and that with respect to recommendation #1 above, there be no appeal for funds for the library to individuals or others where there was any likelihood that they would be approached for a contribution to the capital improvement fund.

S-481. After discussion, action on each of the above recommendations was taken as follows, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried:

1. No. 1 was referred to the Finance Committee with the request that a recommendation be presented to the Board before adjournment this evening.
2. No. 2 was referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee to proceed within the budget as funds become available.
3. No. 3 was approved.

Mr. George B. Howell, Chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, read the report, after discussion, was, upon motion, received and ordered placed on file.

S-483. The Rev. Mr. Cuyler F. E. Phayer reported verbally for the Special Committee Recruitment (S-470). Extended discussion followed. Reference was made to the scholarship grant through the Board of Education from the income of the "New Jersey Beneficiary Fund" for undergraduates at Rutgers University who expect to enter the ministry of the Reformed Church. Dissatisfaction was expressed with the lack of integration between the scholarships for pre-seminary training and actual seminary entrance. Mrs. Murray and Mr. (who heads the Committee which recommends recipients to the Board of Education) discussed in detail the legal limitations on the funds, the rulings of the Supreme Court and the actions of the Attorney General in respect to the matter. After extended discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Board of Superintendents recommend the Faculty of the Seminary be represented on the Scholarship Committee which recommends to the Board of Education the distribution of the income from the New Jersey Beneficiary Funds.

S-484. The Rev. Mr. Ayle A. Schutter read the report of the Promotion Committee. It was agreed in the discussion which followed that there should be coordination between the Committees on Promotion and Recruitment. Upon motion, the report was received and placed on file.

S-485. Mr. Johnston, the Secretary, reported that the Executive Committee (Directors) at its meeting earlier this day had recommended that the Board of Superintendents adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS it is the understanding of this Board that the following agreement has been reached between the Executive Committee of the Particular Synod of New Jersey and the Executive Committee (Directors) of the Board of Superintendents with respect to the proposed campaign for capital funds (the "United Synod Advance" campaign) to be conducted by the Particular Synod, that:

1. The campaign will be for \$1,000,000 plus the estimated cost of the campaign, a total of \$1,078,500 with \$600,000 to be allotted to the Seminary; \$325,000 to the Reformed Church Home; \$50,000 to Warwick Estates; \$15,000 to the Newton Conference Center; and \$10,000 to the Protestant Foundation at Rutgers University.
2. The expenses of the campaign will be shared pro-rata between the participating agencies from August 30, 1961 to the close of the campaign.
3. Designated gifts will be honored, but through the distribution of undesignated gifts, each participating agency will receive its pro-rata share of the total goal.

4. All capital giving to the participating agencies after August 30, 1961 will be within the framework of the campaign.
5. The Particular Synod of New Jersey will enter into a contract with Ward, Dreshman & Reinhardt, Inc. for the direction of the United Synod Advance campaign as outlined above at a fee of \$5,000 per month plus expenses for the campaign preparation period of August 30, 1961 to December 14, 1961 and \$30,000 plus expenses for the intensive period of the campaign from January 1 to April 30, 1962.
6. The present contractual agreement between the Seminary and Ward, Dreshman & Reinhardt, Inc., for the direction of the Seminary's campaign will not apply to the direction of the campaign in the Particular Synod of New Jersey.

Be it resolved that the Board of Superintendents hereby ratifies and approves the agreement as outlined above and further agrees:

1. That inasmuch as the Synod does not have on hand funds to pay the expenses of the campaign as they occur, the Seminary will advance from time to time such moneys as may be necessary to meet the campaign costs up to not more than \$80,000 with the understanding that:
 - A. The Seminary will be repaid as the first charge against the campaign receipts and before any distribution of funds is made to the participating agencies; it being further understood that
 - B. The Seminary will be compensated for any loss of investment interest which may result from the advancement of such funds; and
 - C. That the receipts from the campaign will be placed in an escrow account until the Seminary has been reimbursed in full for the funds advanced, at which time the balance shall be turned over to the Treasurer of the Synod for distribution to the participating agencies.
2. The Seminary will agree to serve as the depository and collection agency for contributions over the (installment) payment period of the campaign, if in the judgment of the Synod this would be helpful and acceptable procedure."

S-486. The Secretary reported that, under the Plan of Organization as amended at the June, 1961, meeting of General Synod, the number of members at large of the Board of Superintendents had been increased to 24 (6 ministers and 18 laymen) and the number of members at large on the Executive Committee (Directors) had been increased to 16 (8 ministers and 8 laymen). The terms for Superintendents at large is six years and for the Executive Committee (Directors) one year. The Board had made no nominations in anticipation of the General Synod's approval of the amended Plan and thus to constitute the Board and Committee under the amended Plan, a number of vacancies had to be filled. He had therefore advised the Nominating Committee that if the Board chose individuals for these positions, the Executive Committee of General Synod could make the appointments on behalf of General Synod, or, under the by-laws, the Board could fill the vacancies until the next meeting of General Synod. It was understood and agreed that those appointed to fill terms of less than six years would be eligible upon the expiration of that term for election to a succeeding full term of six years.

S-487. Mr. Johnston presented the following nominations on behalf of the Nominating Committee: (For the record, all the names are given here. Those marked " are new.)

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Members-at-Large, Board of Superintendents

Terms expiring at 1967 General Synod

Rev. Dr. Thomas Boslooper
Mr. Alfred Paolini*
Mr. Allen M. Rinehart*
Mr. Donald H. Stires*

Terms expiring at 1966 General Synod

Mr. James Dickson*
Mr. R. Earl Haley
Dr. Roger F. Murray, II
Rev. James J. Thomas

Terms expiring at 1965 General Synod

Mr. Roy E. Helgesen
Rev. Ayle A. Schutter
Mr. Howard C. Sheperd

Terms expiring at 1964 General Synod

Mr. Carl L. Cleaver
Mr. Arie Contant
Rev. Harry VerStrate*

Terms expiring at 1963 General Synod

Mr. Randall C. Bosch
Mr. Robert Greenlaw*
Rev. Harold H. Klein
Mr. Earle Winters

Terms expiring at 1962 General Synod

Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap
Mr. George B. Howell
Mr. George Hulst*
Rev. Richard P. Mallery

Chair called for further nominations. There were none. It was moved, seconded and
that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot for the
nominees. This was done and the Chair declared them duly elected for the term as
ted.

Members of the Executive Committee (Directors)

Rev. Chester C. Chilton	Mr. Carl L. Cleaver
Rev. Gordon H. Curtis	Mr. Arie Contant
Rev. Richard P. Mallery	Mr. Robert Greenlaw
Rev. Maurice Marcus	Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap
Rev. Ayle A. Schutter	Mr. George B. Howell
Rev. John J. Peter	Mr. Alfred Paolini
Rev. Guyler T.E. Thayer	Mr. Donald H. Stires
Rev. Harry Ver Strate	Mr. Earle Winters

Ex Officio Members

Chairman of the Board - Dr. Roger F. Murray, II

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Ex Officio Members (Cont'd)

Treasurer - Mr. L. Russell Feakes
Secretary - Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Secretary of Board of Education - Dr. B. J. Mulder
Alumni Representative - Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

The Chair called for further nominations. There were none. It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot for the above nominees. This was done and the Chair declared them duly elected.

S-488. The Secretary presented the following recommendations on behalf of the Nominating Committee:

For Chairman of the Board of Superintendents

Dr. Roger F. Murray, II

For Vice-Chairman of the Board of Superintendents

Rev. Maurice Marcus

Note was made that as far as anyone present knew, this was the first time in the history of the Seminary that a layman had been chosen as the Chairman (or President) of the Board of Superintendents.

There were no further nominations and Dr. Murray and the Rev. Marcus were duly elected. The Chair addressed Mr. Murray on behalf of the Board and Mr. Murray responded briefly.

(The current terms of both Mr. Feakes as Treasurer and Mr. Johnston as Secretary expire at the annual meeting in 1963. Under the Plan of Organization they are eligible for re-election at that time.)

S-489. The Secretary presented for the Nominating Committee the following recommendations for committee appointments for 1961-62:

Committee on Students and Examinations

Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer, Chairman
Rev. Thomas Boslooper
Rev. Donald E. Hicks
Rev. Delbert L. Kinney
Rev. Harold H. Klein
Rev. Cornelius Lepeltak
Rev. Richard J. Skoog

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and

Rev. Richard P. Mallery, Chairman
Mr. Carl L. Cleaver
Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.
Rev. Maurice Marcus
Rev. Robert F. Marsh
Rev. Runyon L. Wolff

Committee on Library and Museum

Rev. Leonard A. Jones, Chairman
Rev. Herman L. Barbary
Rev. Louis H. Chisman
Mr. Arie Contant
Rev. James J. Thomas
Rev. Harry VerStrate
Rev. George H. Winn

Committee on Promotion

Rev. Ayle A. Schutter, Chairman
Rev. Frederick R. Bosch
Mr. Robert Greenlaw
Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap
Rev. Douglas R. MacDonald
Rev. Stanley S. Slingerland
Rev. John J. Soeter

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Local Organizations

Dr. Roger F. Murray, 2nd, Chairman
Dr. Justin Vander Kolk
Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Council to the President

Rev. Russell Jones
Rev. George B. Howell
Rev. Harold Johnston
Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

Mr. George B. Howell
Rev. Maurice Marcus

Rev. Richard P. Mallery
Rev. Maurice Marcus
Dr. Roger F. Murray, II
Rev. Ayle A. Schutter
Rev. Harry VerStrate

3-490. The Secretary asked those present representing classes and synods to indicate the date at which their terms would expire. The following names are included in minutes as a matter of record:

Local Synod of New Jersey

Rev. Cuyler T.E. Thayer, 1965
New Jersey, Rev. John J. Soeter, 1962
Rev. Joseph L. Perry, Jr. 1967
Rev. Leonard A. Jones, 1964
Rev. Robert T. Marsh, 1967
Rev. Delbert L. Kinney, 1966
Rev. Timothy A. Cramer, 1963
Rev. Maurice Marcus, 1962

Particular Synod of New York

Brooklyn, Rev. Stanley S. Slingerland, 1967
Nassau-Suffolk, Rev. Douglas R. MacDonald, 1967
New York, Rev. Herman L. Barbery, 1967
Orange, Rev. George H. Winn, 1962
Poughkeepsie, Rev. Albert H. Studley, 1964
Queens, Rev. Frederick R. Bosch, 1967
Ulster, Rev. Harold Schadewald, 1964
Westchester, Rev. Richard J. Skoog, 1967

Local Synod of Albany

Rev. Louis H. Chisman, 1963
Rev. Donald E. Hicks, 1962
Rev. Ernest Crounse, 1962
Rev. Gordon H. Curtis, 1967
Rev. Chester C. Chilton, 1964
Rev. Guyon L. Wolff, 1966
Rev. Cornelius Lepeltak, 1963

Local Synod of Chicago

Rev. Ralph H. Cordes, 1967

Local Synod of Iowa

Rev. James S. Boogerd, 1965

Local Synod of Michigan

Rev. Harland Steele, 1965

3-491. After discussion, about the time and place for the annual (fall) meeting of the Board under the Amended Plan of Organization, it was moved, seconded and carried that matter be placed upon the table.

It was moved, seconded and carried at 4:15 P.M. that a recess be taken until

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by the Chairman, the Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.

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S-492. Upon motion, the matter of the time and place for the annual meeting in 1962 taken off the table. Dr. Vander Kolk reported that with the annual meeting coming at the office had been overloaded with the tasks of mimeographing reports and handling applications for the Board meeting while preparations were also being made for the Fall Convocation at this year, the installation of a faculty member. Several expressed the view that there was need for more time to consider matters, to hold committee meetings, to discuss matters at meals and when meetings were not in session. Others pointed out that the ladies were not with us and that the opportunities for fellowship at a one day meeting were not sufficient. It was the sentiment of the Board that it would be well to hold the meeting earlier in the month of October. It was moved and seconded that the Fall Meeting of 1962 be held at the Warwick Estates on October 3 and 4. The President was instructed to ascertain from the Warwick Estates of General Synod whether these dates are in conflict with previously scheduled denominational meetings and if there were no conflicts to reserve these dates at the Warwick Estates Conference Center. The motion was carried.

S-493. The Committee on Resolutions, Rev. Mr. Robert T. Marsh, Chairman, presented the following resolution for adoption:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, extends its appreciation to the Rev. Elmer Finger, minister of the North Brunswick Reformed Church, for being our effervescent greeter, host and guide, and its warm gratitude to the Consistory of the North Brunswick Reformed Church for its making available the total facilities of the church for the meetings of the Board this day."

It was voted that the resolution be adopted and the Secretary was instructed to communicate the action to the Pastor and Consistory.

Upon motion at 6:10 P.M. a recess was taken for dinner. The dinner opened with a devotional service by the Rev. Mr. Richard P. Mallery.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:50 P.M., with the members sitting around the table. The ladies who served the luncheon and dinner were called in and the Secretary read to them the above resolution. Applause followed.

S-494. Mr. Feakes reported that the Finance Committee had discussed the matter of increasing the library budget for 1961-1962 so as to secure the maximum grant of \$3,000 from the Sealantic Fund (S-480). It was the view of the Committee that, with the capital improvements campaign in the offing, it was no time to anticipate an increase in contributions for operations beyond the present budget figure or to approach people for gifts to the library who might be prospects for capital gifts (it was recognized, however, that certain Rutgers professors and non-Reformed Church residents of New Brunswick who used the library might be willing to contribute to the library and were not likely to be solicited for capital gifts), that the increase in salaries beginning January 1, 1962 and other budget increases left no "elbow room" for additional items and that the actual cost would be more than the item for books because, to claim the grant, the books must be assessed, maintained and circulated (the rule of thumb is that each dollar spent in books purchasing must be matched each year in overhead expense.) It was the Committee's view, therefore, that to add \$2,350 to the book purchase item, some other item, such as repairs and physical improvements to the Library would have to be reduced by an equivalent amount. The Committee thought the Library plant was in good physical condition for actual use, although the contemplated improvements were desirable. The question seemed to be: what will be of the greatest value to the Seminary over the next three or five years, improve the physical plant or add twice as many new books? The Committee recommended, therefore, that the Sealantic proposal be accepted for one year (1961-1962), and that \$2,350 be added to the books and periodicals purchases item in the 1961-62 budget and that the allocation of funds for repairs and improvements to the Library for 1961-62 be reduced to the extent that funds up to \$2,350 are not secured from other sources for the purchase of books. After discussion, it was moved seconded

the recommendation be adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Kester thanked the board for the cooperation extended to him and asked that it be continued to his successor, Dr. Murray. He called the meeting to order. There was none. He, therefore, declared the meeting adjourned at business. Rev. Mr. Mallery closed the meeting with the benediction.

Harold Johnston
Secretary

May 23, 1962

The regular Spring Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Wednesday, May 23, 1962, in Suydam Hall on the Seminary campus, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Dr. Roger F. Murray, II, chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk, president of the Seminary, led in prayer. In the absence of Mr. J. Harold Johnston, secretary of the Board, the Reverend Ayle A. Schutter acted as secretary pro tem.

There were present:

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Reverends Cuyler T.E. Thayer (Bergen), Joseph L. Perry (Newark), Leonard A. Jones (New Brunswick), Robert T. Marsh, (Paramus), Delbert L. Kinney (Passaic), and Maurice Marcus (Raritan).

From the Synod of New York: The Reverends Douglas R. MacDonald (Nassau Suffolk) George Winn (Orange), Albert N. Studley (Poughkeepsie), Frederick Bosch (Queens), Harold Schadewald (Ulster) and Richard J. Skoog (Westchester).

From the Synod of Albany: The Reverends Louis H. Chisman (Albany), Donald E. Hicks (Columbia), Ernest Crounse (Montgomery), Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga), Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady), and Cornelius Lepeltak (Schoharie).

Members-at-large: The Reverends Thomas Boslooper, Richard P. Mallery, Ayle A. Schutter, and James J. Thomas. The Messrs: Randall Bosch, Carl L. Cleaver, Arie Contant, James Dickson, R. Earl Haley, Adrian Heerschap, George Howell, George Hulst, Milton D. Ketchum, Charles Leuenberger, Alfred Paolini, Allen M. Rinehart, Donald H. Stires, Jonathan Walvoord and L. Earle Winters.

By virtue of office:

Chairman of the Board: Dr. Roger F. Murray, II

President of the Seminary: Dr. Justin Vander Kolk

Treasurer: Mr. L. Russell Feakes

Those who had indicated their inability to attend were: Reverend Herman L. Barbary (New York), Reverend James S. Boogerd (Particular Synod of Iowa), Reverend Ralph Cordes (Particular Synod of Chicago), Reverend Gordon H. Curtis (Rochester), Mr. J. Harold Johnston (member-ex-officio), Reverend Harold H. Klein (member-at-large), Dr. Arend Donald Lubbers (President, Central College), Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers (President, Hope College), Dr. Preston J. Stegenga (President, Northwestern College), Dr. Bernard J. Mulder (Board of Education), Reverend John J. Soeter (Metro. N. J., and Reverend Harland Steele (Particular Synod of Michigan).

The minutes of the previous meeting held on October 23, 1961 were approved upon motion, as distributed to the members by mail prior to this meeting.

S-496. The Chairman appointed a committee consisting of the Reverends Mallery and Schutter to frame a resolution concerning the death of the Reverend Timothy A. Cramer. After consultation the committee presented the following resolution:

"RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF THE REVEREND TIMOTHY ANDREW CRAMER
May 7, 1903 - April 14, 1962

We record with a deep sense of loss the death of Timothy A. Cramer who served faithfully as a member of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

He was a graduate of Hope College and Western Theological Seminary and served Reformed Churches throughout his ministry. He was pastor at Richboro, Pennsylvania, when God called him to his place in the Church Triumphant.

His memory will be cherished by all who knew him as a friend and co-worker. He was known for his sincerity and friendliness.

Be it resolved that this Resolution be recorded on the minutes of the Board and a copy sent to those nearest and dearest to him."

The resolution was adopted.

S-497. Dr. Vander Kolk read the following resolution which was drafted by the Faculty in connection with the passing of the late John W. Beardslee, Jr. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board join with the Faculty and that this Resolution be spread on the minutes with a copy sent to Mrs. Beardslee:

"Resolution in the Memory of JOHN WALTER BEARDSLEE, JR.
July 11, 1879 - May 10, 1962

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God.
One generation shall praise Thy works to another,
and shall declare Thy mighty acts.

The Faculty and the Board record with a profound sense of loss the death of JOHN W. BEARDSLEE, JR., our esteemed colleague and beloved friend whom it has pleased God to take unto Himself. We pause to rejoice in good memories of his companionship and to render thanks to God for this life lived among us.

We are grateful for the generosity with which he shared with us the unusual endowments of a mind that was keen, clear and incisive. We have been enriched by his sound scholarship, his penetrating insights into the Gospel, his unsurpassed skill as a classroom teacher, his devotion to his students, and his loyalty to his Christian vocation exemplified in his untiring labors at the Seminary for thirty-seven years.

We record our grateful acknowledgment of his significant contribution to the Gardner A. Sage Library. Under his guidance and wise counsel the library collection continued to grow in scope and in excellence. His love of good books was contagious and generations of students were encouraged to search and learn for themselves.

This School is stronger today because he consented to serve as its president for twelve years during a very difficult period marked by dislocations of the Depression and the Second World War. He refused to compromise the highest standards of academic

and held unswervingly to his faith in the purpose and future of the Seminary.

The reticence and humility that often characterize great scholars together with a passion for meticulous accuracy restrained him from committing his work to print. In the intimate fraternity of Biblical Scholars he was recognized for his ripe scholarship, the integrity of his judgment and his profound knowledge of the intellectual climate of the Greco-Roman world which knew the visitation of the Gospel in the First Century. We recognize gratefully his contribution to the Revised Standard Translation of the New Testament, as well as to the Interpreters Bible. The welcome fruit of a lifetime of study comes to us in the form of his own carefully phrased translations of the books of the New Testament which we hope may be introduced to a wide circle of readers.

We rejoice as we remember his gracious spirit, his quiet but discerning friendship, the consistency of his character, his appreciation of simple virtues, his devotion to family and home, his unmeasured service to the life of our Church.

Some lines from his own translation of a passage from the New Testament make his own purposes vividly before us. "Here, then, is the Christian life, in two sentences. Whatever you say or do, always speak and act as if the master was speaking and acting through you. Never forget to thank God for all that he is doing for you through Jesus. The credit is His."

S-498. Dr. Murray briefly outlined the actions of the Executive Committee (Directors) meeting of May 4th, the minutes of which had been distributed prior to this meeting and spoke of the action taken by them (D-421) wherein the Particular Synods of Albany and New York had voted to authorize and execute a campaign for the raising of funds for the Seminary with the firm of Ward, Dreshman and Reinhardt.

S-499. Dr. Vander Kolk reported on the actions of the Advisory Council which had been set up at the last meeting to consider matters relating to the campus development. Members of this Council are: Mr. L. Russell Peakes, Mr. George B. Howell, Mr. J. Harold Johnston, Reverend Lee Kester, Reverend Richard P. Mallery, Reverend Maurice Marcus, Dr. Roger Murray, II, Dr. Alfred Paolini, Reverend Ayle Schutter, Mr. Donald Stires and Reverend Harry Ver Strate. This group has served ably and well. The services of Mr. Jefferson Hamilton, of Gainesville, Florida, one of the foremost campus planners in the nation, was retained and he has submitted preliminary plans which have been considered by the Faculty and the Council and returned to him for further development. The firm of Pengerelli and Gambino of Milltown, N. J. has been awarded the contract for the erection of the professors' duplex dwelling. Dr. Vander Kolk paid tribute to Messrs. Howell, Paolini, and Stires for their efforts in securing the low bid. He also reported that the firm of Mansell, McGettigan and Fugate of Philadelphia had been chosen as the architects for the campus development program.

S-500. Reverend Mallery, chairman of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum, reported that Dr. E. Earle Ellis was secured as a substitute for Dr. Boy who will be on sabbatical leave during 1962-63. Reverend Benwick Jackson has accepted the invitation of the Board to serve as lector in the field of Christian Education. Dr. James C. Eelman will return in the fall of 1962. Dr. Wallace N. Jamison would like to plan his sabbatical in 1963-64 and requests the approval of the Board. Dr. Otto A. Piper is to be guest lecturer in New Testament during the third term. It is expected that Dr. Golden, Dr. Knight, Professor Beeners and Reverend Frahe will be back in the fall. Reverend Mallery also reported that the President's Commission on theological relationships is recommending that a Commission of seventeen be established by the General Synod to become the "home" of both our Theological Seminaries. The chairman of the Committee on Professorate made the following recom-

mendations:

- 1) That arrangements with Dr. E. Earle Ellis for one year as visiting professor of New Testament during the sabbatical year of Dr. Kooy be confirmed.
- 2) That a study be made concerning the policy of the sabbatical program of the Seminary and related issues.
- 3) That Dr. Wallace N. Jamison be granted his request for sabbatical leave for 1963-64 for the purpose of using this time in research and writing especially upon the history of the Reformed Church in America, as outlined in his written request.

After discussion it was moved, seconded and carried that this report be received and the recommendations approved.

S-501. Reverend Cuyler Thayer, chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, reported that the committee had met with each member of the senior class. The Committee joined the Faculty in recommending that the appropriate Senior and/or Professorial Certificates be granted to the following students:

Professorial Certificate:

Lee Robert Bayer
Derrick Warren Bluschke
John Ernest Grant
Charles B. Hesselink
Myron Jacob Kaufman, Jr.
Willem Kroon
Ronald Dale Lokhorst
Donald A. Maxam
John Hollebrands Meyer

Raymond C. Ortman
Milton Russell Ortquist
Robert Arthur Phillips
Samuel Middleton Priestley, Jr.
Larry Gordon Suntken
Ian Strachan Todd
Jared van Wagenen IV
Harold S. Vogelaar
Joseph Windsor Woods

Bachelor of Divinity Degree:

Lee Robert Bayer
Derrick Warren Bluschke
Edward Emil Flower
John Ernest Grant
Arthur Charles Heldman, Jr.
Charles B. Hesselink
William Henry Hoffman
Vatche Hovsepian
Myron Jacob Kaufman Jr.
Willem Kroon
Albert Keyes Layton
Ronald Dale Lokhorst

Donald A. Maxam
John Hollebrands Meyer
Raymond C. Ortman
Milton Russell Ortquist
Robert Arthur Phillips
Samuel Middleton Priestley, Jr.
Robert John Sprunger
Larry Gordon Suntken
Ian Strachan Todd
Jared van Wagenen IV
Harold S. Vogelaar
Robert Thomas Walters

Joseph Windsor Woods

Upon motion, seconded and voted the recommendation was adopted.

S-502. The Reverend Leonard A. Jones, chairman of the Committee on the Library, reported on the Sealantic Fund progress. Special purchases were made through this money which would not ordinarily be possible. He made the following recommendations:

- 1) That participation in the Sealantic Fund be continued.
- 2) Mr. VandenBerge be authorized to retain Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Pender to work five days a week with proportionate increases in salary; or, to be authorized to obtain other help.
- 3) Additional book shelves be constructed.
- 4) Further rehabilitation for floor space, fire exit, etc. be considered.

After discussion in each case, the following actions were approved:

- 2) Approved
- 3) Referred to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds
- 4) Further rehabilitation for floor space, fire exit, etc. be considered in over-all plan of development.
- 5) The Reverend Schutter spoke to his report on Promotion and made the following

recommendations:
 Serious thought be given to the publishing of a quarterly.
 An editing staff be selected to proceed with biographical studies of graduates,
 to be made available for church reading racks and for distribution by youth directors.

In discussion the report was accepted and the recommendations adopted with the provision that expenses be kept within the budgeted allowance for promotion.

S-504. President Vander Kolk recommended that November 11th, 1962, be designated Synod Sunday in the churches. It was voted to approve this recommendation and include it in the report to General Synod.

At this point the members of the graduating class of 1962 arrived and each member introduced to the Board by Dean Jamison. After some congratulatory words from the President, the class retired.

A short recess was called at 4:00 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 4:10.

The Faculty - Professors Kooy, Jamison, Vander Lugt, Vandenberg and Rogers--received. Reverend Vandenberg, as secretary of the faculty, read his annual report, copies of which had been distributed to the members of the Board. After a short question and answer period it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be adopted with expressions of appreciation on behalf of the Board to the members of the Faculty. Rogers expressed greetings from the Faculty following which the Faculty retired.

S-505. Reverend Cuyler Thayer reported for the Committee on Recruitment. Mention was made of the need for additional personnel to work in the areas of recruitment in connection with the Faculty. Out of the discussion which arose it was brought to the attention of the Board the need for personnel in negro and foreign areas. This report was received for information only.

S-506. The Committee on Nominations presented the following nominations:

Officers for 1962-1963:

- Chairman - Dr. Roger F. Murray, II, for a term of one year.
- Vice-Chairman - Reverend Maurice Marcus for a term of one year.
- Treasurer - Mr. L. Russell Peakes for a term of three years.
- Secretary - Mr. J. Harold Johnston for a term of three years.

Members of the Board. The following names are included in these minutes as matter of record:

Particular Synod of New Jersey

- Bergen, Reverend Cuyler T. E. Thayer, 1965
- Metropolitan Jersey, Reverend John J. Soeter, 1967
- Newark, Reverend Joseph L. Perry, Jr., 1967
- New Brunswick, Reverend Leonard A. Jones, 1964
- Paramus, Reverend Robert T. Marsh, 1967
- Passaic, Reverend Delbert L. Kinney, 1966
- Philadelphia, (to be appointed)

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Particular Synod of New Jersey (Continued)

Raritan, Reverend Maurice Marcus 1963

Particular Synod of New York

Brooklyn, Reverend Stanley S. Slingerland, 1967
Nassau-Suffolk, Reverend Douglas R. MacDonald, 1967
New York, Reverend Herman L. Barbery, 1967
Orange, Reverend John W. Mongin, 1968
Poughkeepsie, Reverend Albert H. Studley, 1964
Queens, Reverend Frederick R. Bosch, 1967
Ulster, Reverend Harold Schadewald, 1964
Westchester, Reverend Richard J. Skoog, 1967

Particular Synod of Albany

Albany, Reverend Louis H. Chisman, 1963
Columbia, Reverend Donald Hicks, 1968
Montgomery, Reverend Forest L. Decker, 1968
Rochester, Reverend Gordon H. Curtis, 1967
Saratoga, Reverend Chester Chilton, 1964
Schenectady, Reverend Guyon L. Wolff, 1966
Schoharie, Reverend Cornelius Lepeltak, 1963

Particular Synod of Chicago - Reverend Ralph H. Cordes, 1967

Particular Synod of Iowa - Reverend James S. Boogerd, 1965

Particular Synod of Michigan - Reverend Harland Steele, 1965

Members-at-Large

Terms expiring at 1968 General Synod

Reverend Daniel Y. Brink
Mr. Harold Dobbs
Mr. Adrian Heerschap
Mr. George Hulst

Terms expiring at 1967 General Synod

Reverend Thomas Boslooper
Mr. Alfred Paolini
Mr. Allen M. Minehart
Mr. Donald H. Stires

Terms expiring at 1966 General Synod

Mr. James Dickson
Mr. R. Earl Haley
Reverend James J. Thomas

Terms expiring at 1965 General Synod

Mr. Milton Ketchum
Reverend Ayle Schutter
Mr. Howard Sheperd
Mr. Jonathan Walvoord

Terms expiring at 1964 General Synod

Mr. Carl L. Cleaver
Mr. Arie Contant
Mr. Charles Leuenberger
Reverend Harry Ver Strate

Terms expiring at 1963 General Synod

Mr. Randall C. Bosch
Mr. Robert Greenlaw
Reverend Harold M. Klein
Mr. Carl L. Winters

Members of the Executive Committee:

Reverend Daniel Y. Brink
Reverend Chester C. Chilton
Mr. Carl L. Cleaver
Mr. Arie Contant
Reverend Gordon L. Curtis
Mr. James Dickson
Mr. Robert Greenlaw
Mr. Adrian Heerschap

Worship Council

Mr. R. Russell Feakes
Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Reverend Lee L. Kester, Jr.
Reverend Maurice Marcus
Dr. Roger F. Murray, II

Committee on Students and Examinations

Reverend Cuyler T. E. Thayer, Chairman
Reverend Thomas Boslooper
Reverend Donald E. Hicks
Reverend Delbert L. Kinney

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum

Reverend Maurice Marcus, Chairman
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Committee on Library and Museum

Reverend Leonard A. Jones, Chairman
Reverend Herman L. Barbery
Mr. Arie Contant
Reverend Forest Decker

Committee on Promotion

Reverend Ayle A. Schutter, Chairman
Reverend Frederick R. Bosch
Reverend Louis A. Chisman
Mr. James Dickson

Committee on Nominations

Dr. Roger F. Murray, II
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Reverend Ayle A. Schutter
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Mr. Donald H. Stires
Reverend Harry Ver Strate
Mr. George Howell, Consulting Member

Reverend Harold M. Klein
Reverend Cornelius Lepeltak
Reverend Richard J. Skoog

Reverend Robert T. Marsh
Dr. Roger F. Murray, II
Reverend Bunyon L. Wolff

Mr. Allen M. Rinehart
Reverend James J. Thomas
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Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap
Reverend Douglas MacDonald
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Reverend Maurice Marcus
Dr. Justin Vander kolk

Committee on Buildings and Grounds

Mr. Alfred Paolini, Chairman
Mr. Harold Dobbs
Mr. Charles Leuenberger

Mr. Donald Stires

Reverend Maurice Marcus
Reverend Ayle A. Schutter

Ex Officio

Dr. Justin Vander Kolk, President of the Seminary
Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, President of Hope College
Dr. Arend Donald Lubbers, President of Central College
Dr. Preston J. Stegenga, President of Northwestern College
Dr. Bernard J. Mulder, Secretary of the Board of Education, R.C.A.
Reverend Lee L. Kester, Jr., Representative of Alumni Association

It was duly moved, seconded and voted that this report be accepted and that the nominations be reported to General Synod.

Special mention was made by Chairman Murray of the loyal and consecrated efforts of Reverend Mallery and Mr. Howell to the cause of the Seminary during their years on the Board.

S-507. Mr. Howell, chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds presented report which had been distributed to the members of the Board. He made special mention of the appreciation of this Committee for the cooperation of the Faculty and students. He also reported that the Committee was successful in obtaining a low bid of not more than \$80,000 for the duplex dwelling. After a few details are worked out, the contract will be signed and work begun. It was regularly moved, seconded and voted to accept the report with appreciation. Carried.

S-508. Mr. L. Russell Feakes presented the proposed budget for 1962-63 and distributed copies to the members of the Board. The proposed budget called for expenditures of \$181,530 with an anticipated income of \$75,150 leaving a total of \$106,380 to be received in church contributions in order to balance the budget. Mr. Feakes stressed the necessity for urging the churches to contribute \$1.00 per year per member and that the contributions to the fund-raising campaign should not be allowed to affect the regular giving from the churches to the Seminary. After discussion it was moved, seconded and voted that a raise of \$500 for the professors as of January 1, 1963 be included in the budget. It was moved, seconded and voted to approve the budget for 1962-63 as amended. Carried.

S-509. Dr. Vander Kolk reported on the Fund Raising Campaign which had gone over the top in the New Jersey Synod. The total amount pledge was \$1,780,000* and the expenses were not as large as anticipated. He further reported that the campaign in the Particular Synods of Albany and New York had received a warm response. The Synod of Albany has unanimously agreed to sponsor and execute a united campaign for funds in amount of \$400,000, plus up to \$40,000 for expenses. The funds are to be divided on the following basis: \$240,000 for New Brunswick Theological Seminary; \$80,000 each for the Permanent Church Extension Funds of the Synod of Albany and the Fowler Memorial Conference Center. Reverend Chester Chilton is the ministerial chairman and Mr. Dickson is the lay chairman. In the Synod of New York it had been unanimously voted that the Seminary be the single agency for the fund raising campaign. The total drive amounts to \$360,000 plus the cost of the campaign which is not to exceed \$36,000. He

*Corrected amount (see Minutes, October 3 and 4, 1962) - \$1,130,000.

reported that Reverend Mallery is the minister chairman and Dr. Murray is the lay-
 chairman.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Board would be held on
 October 3 and 4, 1962, at Warwick Estates.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 with the closing prayer by Dr.
 Vander Kolk.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Schutter
 Secretary pro tem.

October 3 and 4, 1962

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick
 Theological Seminary was held at Warwick Estates Conference Center, Warwick, New
 York, on Wednesday and Thursday, October 3 and 4. Dr. Roger F. Murray, II,
 Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order. There were present: the
 Reverends Barbery, Boogerd, Brink, Chilton, Cordes, Curtis, Decker, Henseler,
 Hoogheem, Jones, Kester, Kinney, Klein, Lepeltak, Mongin, Mulder, Schadewald,
 Schutter, Schwab, Studley, Thayer, Vander Kolk, Ver Strate and Wolff; the
 Messrs. Cleaver, Contant, Dickson, Dobbs, Feakes, Greenlaw, Heerschap, Hulst,
 Ketchum, Leuenberger, Murray, Rinehart, Stires and Walvoord. Those who asked to
 be excused were: the Reverends Bosch, Boslooper, Arend D. Lubbers, Irvin J.
 Lubbers, Stengenga and Steele; the Messrs. Haley, Johnston, Paolini and Sheperd.

The minutes of the meeting of May 23, 1962 were approved after the
 following correction: S-509. "The total amount pledged was \$1,130,000" rather
 than \$1,780,000 as recorded.

S-510. The Chairman announced the appointment of the Reverend Cuyler T.E.
 Thayer to fulfill the unexpired term of Dr. James Thomas whose resignation was
 received.

S-511. Dr. Vander Kolk gave his annual report on the Seminary which in-
 cluded the following recommendations:

- 1) That a committee be appointed from the Board of Superintendents
 to have consultation with the faculty looking toward the establish-
 ment of a policy which will served as a guide line for faculty mem-
 bers with reference to extra-curricular and denomination activities.
- 2) That we hold before ourselves and our people, the Seminary as a
 strategic institution in the life of the Church and as worthy
 of consideration as the objects of bequests.
- 3) That we seek to foster in our congregations and classes an aware-
 ness of the urgent need for recruiting candidates for the ministry
 from the eastern churches.
- 4) That the special committee on recruiting be brought to full strength
 by the addition to membership of Reverend Louis Chisman, Reverend
 Warren Henseler and Robert Marsh. Reverend Cuyler Thayer and

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Reverend Leonard Jones are asked to continue with Reverend Thayer continuing to serve as chairman.

- 5) That the Speech Center be designated the Theodore Floyd Bayles Speech Center to perpetuate the memory of this honored professor.
- 6) That we get started on the program of micro-filming Seminary records and documents and request the finance committee to make budgetary provisions.
- 7) That this Board consider seriously the enlargement of the administrative staff by the addition of another person who shall have responsibility for administering the policy of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds and for directing the development program.
- 8) That the Secretary of the Board be instructed to send a letter to the Women's Auxiliary expressing our deep appreciation for their assistance.
- 9) That the President of the Board name a committee to draw up a resolution noting the passing of Reverend Richard P. Mallery who was for so many years a devoted member of this Board and a loyal friend of the Seminary.

The following action was taken:

- 1) Referred to the Professorate Committee
- 2) Passed
- 3) Passed
- 4) Passed
- 5) Passed
- 6) Passed
- 7) Referred to Executive Committee (Directors)
- 8) Passed
- 9) Passed

S-512. Mr. L. Russell Feakes reported on the financial status of the Seminary. Mimeographed copies of his reports had been distributed to the members. He pointed out that receipts had been approximately \$10,185 less than the preceding year and about \$9,500 below the budget. He reported also that a line of credit of up to \$100,000 had been established at the Peoples National Bank of New Brunswick to meet our obligations. Mr. Feakes also presented the annual audit from the firm of Haskins and Sells. His report was received as a whole.

The meeting recessed until Thursday, October 4, 1962 and the members of the Board attended the meetings of the standing committees.

The annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary reconvened at 9:00 A.M. The Reverend Maurice Marcus, vice-president of the Board, called the meeting to order and the Reverend Lee Kester led in prayer.

S-513. Reverend Marcus, chairman of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum reported as follows; After meeting with Dr. J. Hemrick Jackson and Dr. E. Earle Ellis, the Committee has no hesitation in reaffirming the wisdom of the appointment of Dr. Jackson as Lector in the field of Christian Education and expressed confidence in Dr. Ellis who takes Dr. Kester's place during the year 1962-63. The Committee further recommended faculty participation in the Group Insurance Plan, with the Seminary assuming the cost of such insurance except for the portion paid by the Board of Pensions. The report was received and adopted.

S-514. The Reverend Leonard A. Jones reported on the Library and made the following recommendations:

- 1) That the Board of Superintendents officially endorse the participation of the Gardner A. Sage Library in the ATLA Development Program for the second year.
- 2) That the Board of Superintendents give careful consideration to providing within the budget for 1963-64 funds for another full-time worker on the library staff.

The following action was taken:

- 1) Passed
- 2) Referred to Finance Committee

S-515. Mr. Donald Stires gave the report on Buildings and Grounds and expressed gratitude to the Women's Auxiliary for their contributions to the Seminary. He presented a summary of future plans and showed sketches of the campus planning and type of architecture. After discussion it was recommended that the Executive Committee (Directors) should seek to obtain options on two fraternity properties on the corner of George and Bishop Place. It was voted to adopt the report together with the recommendation.

S-516. Reverend Cuyler T. E. Thayer presented the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations. He stated that sixteen new students had been examined by the Committee. This included fourteen Juniors, one exchange student, and one special student. He further stated that his committee examined three Senior students, Mr. Charles Anker, Mr. John Fragale and Mr. John Needham, who will complete their work at the Seminary before the close of the year. The Committee recommended that the appropriate certificates and/or degrees be awarded by the faculty to these individuals as warranted by their respective academic attainments. Report accepted.

S-517. Reverend Lee Kester reported that the Alumni Committee will meet on Monday, October 8th.

S-518. Women's Auxiliary report was given by Mrs. Justin Vander Kolk. She spoke of the work accomplished by the women this year which included refurbishing sleeping quarters, lounges, library, lighting on outside campus grounds, etc. She explained that the money is received from the three Eastern Synods by the Auxiliary

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S-518 (cont'd) which acts as a steward.

S-519. Reverend Schutter reported for the Committee on Promotion. He presented the following recommendations:

- 1) Use of wide-spread literature with two-fold purpose; keep Seminary before the people and also to interest young men in the ministry.
- 2) That the Recruitment Committee be requested to carry on an extensive and continuing personal contact with all pre-theologs in our three colleges.
- 3) That the \$1.00 per member per year be stressed in the churches.
- 4) That the Promotion Committee and Recruitment Committees be made into one committee.

The report was accepted and the recommendation that the Promotion Committee and Recruitment Committee be made into one committee was referred to both committees for their decision.

S-520. It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that a resolution be drafted in memory of the Reverend Richard P. Mallery by a committee consisting of Dr. Murray, Reverend Kester and Dr. Vander Kolk.

S-521. Dr. B. J. Mulder, Secretary of the Board of Education, spoke briefly concerning the designation of money from the Board.

S-522. There was discussion concerning the possibility of a "refresher" school for ministers and the value of increasing the fall convocation to two days.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M. The Reverend Daniel Y. Brink, D.D. closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyle A. Schutter
Alyle A. Schutter
Secretary Pro Tem.

May 22, 1963

The regular Spring Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Wednesday, May 22, 1963 in Suydam Hall on the Seminary Campus, New Brunswick, N. J. Dr. Roger F. Murray II, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 2 P.M. and opened the meeting with prayer. In the absence of Mr. J. Harold Johnston, the Reverend Alyle Schutter was appointed Temporary Secretary.

Those present were:

From the Synod of Albany: The Reverends Louis H. Chisman (Albany), Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga), Forest L. Decker (Montgomery), Kenneth G. Shields (Columbia-Greene), Runyon L. Wolff (Schenectady).

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Reverends Joseph Perry (Newark), Maurice Marcus (Raritan), Robert T. Marsh (Paramus), D. L. Kinney (Passaic), Leonard Jones (New Brunswick), John J. Soeter (Metro. Jersey), Warren J. Henseler (Phila.), Roy

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Wagoner (Bergen).

From the Synod of New York: The Reverends Frederick Bosch (Queens), William Schwab (Brooklyn), John W. Mongin (Orange), Herman L. Barbary (New York).

From the Synod of Michigan: The Reverend Harland Steele

From the Synod of Iowa: The Reverend James Boogerd

Members-at-Large: Mr. James Dickson, Mr. George J. Must, Mr. Charles Leuenberger, Mr. Carl L. Cleaver, Mr. Arie Contant, Mr. Harold J. Dobbs, Reverend Daniel Y. Brink, Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap, Mr. L. Earle Winters, The Reverend Thomas Boslooper, the Reverend Cuyler Thayer, and the Reverend Ayle Schutter.

By virtue of Office:

Chairman of the Board: Dr. Roger F. Murray, II
President of the Seminary: Dr. Justin Vander Kolk
Director of Development: Mr. Walter C. Gates
Alumni Representative: Lee Kester, Jr.

Those who had indicated their inability to attend were: Messrs. E. Carl Haley, Robert Greenlaw, A. M. Rinehart, L. Russell Feakes, Arend D. Lubbers, Howard Sheperd, B. J. Mulder, J. Harold Johnston, Randall C. Bosch, Preston J. Stegenga, The Reverends Harry ver Strate, Gordon Curtis, Franklin Deitz, Harold H. Klein.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on October 3 and 4, 1962 were approved with one correction. The Reverend Frederick Bosch asked that it be recorded that he was present at the last meeting.

Announcements were made as to housing, graduation exercises, robing room, and copies of the Plan of Organization were distributed to new members.

S-523. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk reported that the Executive Committee had met four times during the year, October 3, December 4, 1962, January 21, 1963 and May 21, 1963, and stated that the recommendations from the meeting of May 21 will be brought to the Board through reports of the various Committees.

S-524. Dr. Vander Kolk reported that the Advisory Council had met frequently and that they had passed on the new faculty housing, the campus plan and on the married students dormitory.

He also expressed appreciation personally and on behalf of the Board for the work of the members of this Council.

S-525. Dr. Murray introduced Mr. Walter Gates, new Director of Development, who presented the report of the Building and Grounds Committee in the absence of Mr. Paolini. Mr. Gates reported for information only that the Executive Committee (Directors) had approved the expenditure of \$10,000 for waterproofing the library. This will entail new drains around footings, waterproofing walls below grade, changing grading to improve drainage, pointing-up walls and water-proofing above grade.

It was recommended:

- 1) That the building at 564 George Street be demolished. The building is in bad shape. It would cost many thousands of dollars to repair and would then be razed to make room for the new dormitories in this area. The committee feels it would be wise to raze the building at this time so that the Missionary

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House can be moved through this slot. This would save numerous valuable trees.

Voted: To demolish the building at 564 George Street as soon as feasible.

- 2) That the contract be let to move the Missionary House and add one study for a sum slightly over \$36,000. Mr. Gates pointed out that a comparable new building would cost approximately \$65,000 as against this cost of slightly over \$36,000.

Voted: To let the contract to move the Missionary House and add one study for a sum slightly over \$36,000.

- 3) That the Board approve the building of the new married students dormitory at a cost of \$417,750. Mr. Gates reported that six bids had been received. The low figure is \$414,000 to which \$3,750 in alternates should be added. These alternates cover needed landscaping, painting, emergency lights and a fire alarm system connected to the fire department. Mr. Gates also reported that receipts from the U.S.A. will be slightly less than the cost of this apartment by September 1, 1964. He stated that the USA has been receiving about \$27,000 a month and hopes in one year to get in \$300,000 against the cost of this apartment. Mr. Chisman, Continuing Director of U.S.A. in the Albany Synod, reported that \$475,821 had been subscribed in that Synod, with \$53,431 already received and 106 churches paying on a monthly basis.

Voted: To approve the building of the dormitory at a cost of \$417,750 and to let the contract.

Mr. Gates reported that the above figures do not include stoves and refrigerators; a maximum figure for these would be \$5,500.

Building plans beyond the 19 apartment dormitory are being discussed and planned but are still too nebulous to be reported upon. The faculty duplex has been completed and occupied, but paving has been held in abeyance pending a study of our overall paving needs. From the financial angle it appears that the U.S.A. will become a four year program as many churches are delayed by local building campaigns and other factors.

S-526. Committee on Recruitment, the Rev. Cuyler Thayer reporting. The Committee has met during the year to uncover ways of communicating the relevance of the pastoral ministry and the need for capable young men. The Committee is considering the possibility of planning area seminars for pastors that they may be helped to encourage promising young men to consider the ministry as a vocation. The Committee feels that the Seminary should secure good visual aids and selected literature which can be used in classical and parish work. Mailings to an expanded and up-to-date list of prospective candidates is recommended.

The Committee feels the need for recruitment should be understood by the Board of Superintendents. The members of the Board can be of help by talking up the Seminary and encouraging classes and fellow-ministers to take recruitment seriously. The need must first be on our consciences, it was stated, if we are to lay it on the conscience of the Church. Mr. Thayer then asked that Dr. Jamison speak to the recruitment chart which he has been using in speaking in the churches. Dr. Jamison made a fine presentation.

Voted: To receive the report.

S-527. In the absence of Dr. Vander Kolk, Dr. Murray displayed the embossed scroll to be presented to Dr. Vander Kolk on May 23, 1963 at the Alumni Collation as a token of the high esteem and affection of the Board.

Voted: to present the scroll.

S-528. Committee on Students and Examinations, Reverend Cuyler Thayer, Chairman, reported that the Committee had met with each member of the senior class. The Committee joined the Faculty in recommending that the appropriate degree and/or Professorial Certificates be granted.

Voted: to adopt the recommendation and the report.

S-529. Committee on Library, Reverend Leonard Jones, Chairman, reported that the accelerated book program under ATLA is proceeding satisfactorily. We have participated for two years. Participation through the 4th and 5th years will bring a 2 for 1 gift from ATLA. Additional help is needed to process the additional books. The Committee noted that the proposed budget for the year ending June 30, 1964 shows an increase of \$2,000 for salaries. The Committee felt this would be needed for extra staff and for the regular salary increases for the people already employed.

The ATLA sent an inspection team to examine the Library program. This report will be available soon. It is hoped we will qualify for the fourth and fifth years. The Committee also reported more room and stacks will be needed.

It was recommended: that we participate in the ATLA in the third year which begins in the summer of 1963.

Voted: To participate in the ATLA in the third year, beginning in the summer of 1963.

Voted: To receive the report as a whole.

S-530. The Reverend Schutter spoke to his report on Promotion and made the following recommendations:

1) That the Seminary provide the means and money for publishing of a quarterly Journal. After discussion as to purpose and means of implementation it was

Voted: Not to undertake this venture at this time.

2) Recommended that churches be urged to send young peoples' organizations and societies of men and women to visit the Seminary campus, and that the Seminary office be responsible for scheduling such visits and provide for the entertaining of the groups.

The Committee thanked the President and his staff for very efficient work with regard to promoting the Seminary's interests throughout the Church. Especially in the efficient and energetic manner in which the fund-raising campaign was accomplished.

Voted: that an order form be included with the Newsletter to permit wider distribution within the churches.

S-531. Dr. Roger Murray reported for the Committee on Nominations as follows:
For Nomination to the General Synod:

Chairman of the Board - Rev. Maurice Marcus for a term of one year.

Vice-Chairman of the Board - Rev. Robert Marsh for a term of one year.

Secretary - Mr. J. Harold Johnston, Class of 1965

Treasurer - Mr. L. Russell Feakes, Class of 1965

Superintendents from Classes are not named by us.

Members-at-Large Class of 1969

Mr. George Howell

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Nominations - Members-at-Large (Cont'd)

Rev. Maurice Marcus
Mr. Willard Wichers
Mr. L. Earle Winters

Members of the Executive Committee (Directors)

Rev. Daniel Y. Brink
Mr. Carl Cleaver
Mr. Arie Contant
Rev. Gordon H. Curtis
Mr. James Dickson
Mr. Adrian Heerschap
Rev. Warren Henseler
Rev. Robert Marsh

Dr. Roger F. Murray II
Mr. Alfred Paolini
Rev. Ayle A. Schutter
Rev. John J. Soeter
Mr. Donald H. Stires
Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer
Rev. Harry Ver Strate
Mr. L. Earle Winters

The Committee on Nominations recommended that the following Committees be named for one year:

Committee on Students and Examinations

Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer, Chairman
Rev. Thomas Boslooper
Rev. Warren J. Henseler
Rev. Delbert L. Kinney
Rev. Bruce Penn
Rev. Richard J. Skoog
Rev. Roy Wagoner

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum

Rev. Robert Marsh, Chairman
Mr. Carl L. Cleaver
Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Rev. Lee L. Kester, Jr.
Rev. Maurice Marcus
Dr. Roger F. Murray II
Rev. Harry ver Strate

Committee on Recruitment

Rev. Warren Henseler, Chairman
Rev. Joseph Perry
Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer
Rev. Kenneth Schields
Mr. Willard Wichers

Committee on Library and Museum

Rev. Herman L. Barbary, Chairman
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink
Mr. Arie Contant
Rev. Forest L. Decker
Mr. George Hulst
Mr. Allan Kinehart
Rev. Harry ver Strate

Committee on Promotion

Rev. Ayle A. Schutter, Chairman
Rev. Frederick R. Bosch
Rev. Gordon Curtis
Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap
Rev. Douglas H. MacDonald

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Committee on Nominations

Rev. Maurice Marcus, Chairman
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink

Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Rev. Robert Marsh

Committee on Buildings and Grounds

Mr. Alfred Paolini
Dr. Roger F. Murray, II
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink

Rev. Maurice Marcus
Rev. Ayle Schutter
Mr. Donald Stires

Committee on Finance

Mr. L. Russell Peakes, Chairman
Dr. Roger F. Murray II
Mr. J. Harold Johnston

Voted: that the report be received and adopted.

A short recess was called at 3:50 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 3:55 P.M.

The members of the graduating class of 1963 arrived and were presented to the Board by Dean Jamison. The board congratulated them upon the completion of their studies. Dr. Murray offered a prayer of thanksgiving.

S-532. The Faculty--Professors Eelman, Ellis, Jackson, Jamison, Rogers, VandenBerge, and Vander Lugt were received at 4:00 P.M. The annual report of the Faculty was read by the Rev. Peter VandenBerge, secretary of the Faculty. Copies of the report were distributed to the members of the Board. The following recommendation was made:

- 1) That the present members of the Junior Class be advanced to the Middler Class, and that the present members of the Middler Class be advanced to the Senior Class.

Voted: To adopt this recommendation.

Dr. Eelman spoke on behalf of the Faculty, especially commending Dr. Jackson, Jr. Ellis and Mr. Gates. Dr. Kuiper's lectures were also mentioned as being highly valuable. Dr. Eelman also spoke movingly of Dr. Vander Kolk's resignation. The attitude of the Faculty for the Board's care and solicitude were also expressed.

Voted: To receive the report as a whole.

S-433. The Rev. Maurice Marcus reported for the Committee on Professorate and Curriculum. In view of the fact that Dr. Vander Kolk has submitted his resignation as a member of the Faculty and as President of the Seminary, effective August 31, 1963, the Committee recommended:

- 1) That the Board accept, with sincere regret, the resignation of Dr. Justin Vander Kolk from the office of President and as the John Henry Livingston Professor of Theology, effective August 31, 1963.

Voted, to accept, with sincere regret, the resignation of Dr. Justin Vander Kolk from the office of President and as the John Henry Livingston Professor of Theology, effective August 31, 1963.

- 2) That the Board adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Reverend Justin Vander kolk, Ph.D., has resigned from the office

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of President of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary and as the John Henry Livingston Professor of Theology,

AND WHEREAS the Board of Superintendents has reluctantly accepted his resignation,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Superintendents record the gratitude of the Seminary and the Reformed Church in America for the seventeen years of devoted and distinguished service Dr. Vander Kolk has given to New Brunswick Seminary, the first thirteen as a Professor of Theology and the last four years as President. Through the years Dr. Vander Kolk has come to be regarded with respect and affection as scholar, teacher, churchman, preacher, administrator and friend. During his presidency the bold plan of the United Synod Advance was launched and brought to a successful conclusion. The tireless efforts of Dr. Vander Kolk, the idea, hopes and inspiration he promulgated in countless conversations, meetings, addresses and sermons contributed substantially to the highly gratifying results of the campaign, not only in terms of dollars, but also in renewed interest in the work of the Seminary and the Synod. The projected new buildings and facilities will bear testimony to his leadership and zeal in behalf of the welfare of the school and the Church.

Dr. Vander Kolk's example of what it means to be a servant of Christ and His Church, his luminous theological insights and his gracious spirit will abide as a strong and fruitful influence in the lives and ministries of his students.

May God grant to Professor and Mrs. Vander Kolk many years of vigorous and rewarding service in the work and witness of the Kingdom.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board of Superintendents and that it be published in the CHURCH HERALD.

Voted: To adopt the above resolution--with a standing vote.

The Committee offered three recommendations related to the resignation of Dr. Vander Kolk.

- 3A) That Dr. Vander Kolk be granted a sabbatical with the customary stipend provided for a professor.
- 3B) That Dr. Vander Kolk be named an adjunct professor while on sabbatical with no stipulated assignment.
- 3C) That Dr. Vander Kolk be invited to teach the course on "Missions" and be designated the Bussing Lecturer on Missions during the second term next year.

Voted: To adopt these recommendations.

The Chairman of the Board sent a letter to all members of the Board designating the Committee on Professorate and Curriculum the Committee responsible for recommending a new President. The letter also requested the members of the Board to suggest the names of men who might be candidates for this office.

All suggestions received were given due consideration. The Faculty has been consulted regarding a successor to Dr. Vander Kolk. The Committee offered the following recommendation:

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- 4) That the Board of Superintendents recommend to the General Synod of the Reformed Church which will convene at Central College, June 6 to June 12, 1963, that Dr. Wallace N. Jamison, Professor of ~~Christian Education~~ and Dean of the Seminary, be elected to the office of ~~President of the~~ New Brunswick Theological Seminary, and the John Henry ~~Professorship~~ of Theology.

Voted: To adopt this recommendation.

Early this year Dr. J. Penwick Jackson, Lector in Christian Education, indicated that he would not be a candidate for the professorship in Christian Education. It was recommended:

- 5) That the Rev. Charles J. Wissink be engaged as Lector in Christian Education for a period of two years, beginning in September, 1963, at a salary of \$6,500 with heated house, the usual pension arrangements of 11% and participation in the faculty insurance plan. Mr. Wissink has been informed that he will be given freedom to devise his own course of study which shall embrace three areas:

- A. The theological foundations of Christian Education.
- B. The content of Christian Education.
- C. The methods that make for effective teaching.

It is further stipulated that he should involve himself in the supervision of field work.

No definite agreement was reached as to procedures at the end of the two-year period. It was suggested, however, that if there is a mutual desire to further the relationship and move toward a professorial appointment, that the Seminary would give serious consideration to the possibility of a leave of absence for one year to provide opportunity to complete residence requirements for a doctor's degree in the field of Christian Education. It was tentatively suggested that it would be fair to expect the Seminary to furnish him with housing during this leave of absence and also to pay him a moderate stipend to make it possible for him to pursue graduate studies. Without committing the Seminary in any way, it was suggested that one-third of the regular salary might be offered him as scholarship aid and that a loan might be arranged at a low rate of interest to see him through the year.

Voted: That recommendation #5 be adopted.

Dr. Hageman has accepted the invitation to teach the Ecumenical Inter-Seminary Seminar course. In the past the professors conducting the course have come from the faculties of the various institutions involved. It was recommended:

- 6) That Dr. Hageman be granted the title of Adjunct Professor for the academic year 1963-64 and that he be listed as a member of the Faculty in the catalogue, with no expense to the Seminary.

Voted: To adopt recommendation #6.

- 7) Recommended that Dr. E. Earle Ellis be invited to remain as instructor in the biblical languages and such other responsibilities as the Faculty may determine, at a stipend of \$2,400 per year and housing.

Voted: To adopt recommendation #7

- 8) It was recommended that the Board approve the policy of limiting, in so far as practicable, the service of professors to one Board or Commission of the General Synod, and the whole question be referred to the new Theological Commission.

Voted: To adopt recommendation #8.

The Committee reported for information that: 1) Dr. Vernon H. Kooy will return in June from his year of sabbatical study abroad. 2) The Rev. Earl Jabay, Chaplain of the Neuro-Psychiatric Institute at Skillman, New Jersey, will continue to serve as a lecturer in the Department of Practical Theology. 3) The Rev. Arnold J. van Lummel will teach a two-hour elective during the Fall term on "The Christian Understanding of Sex and Marriage".

Voted: To Receive the report as a whole.

S-534. In the absence of Mr. Russell Peakes, Dr. Roger Murray II presented the proposed budget for 1963-64 and distributed copies to the members of the Board. The proposed budget called for expenditures of \$196,850 with an anticipated income of \$78,200, leaving a total of \$118,650 to be received in church contributions in order to balance the budget. After discussion it was

Voted: To adopt the budget for 1963-64 as presented.

The Board members were reminded that the next meeting of the Board would be held on October 2 and 3, 1963, at Warwick Estates.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 P.M. with the closing prayer by Dr. Vander Kolk.

Respectfully submitted,

Allyle A. Schutter
Allyle A. Schutter,
Secretary pro tem

October 2 and 3, 1963

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Wednesday, October 2, 1963, in the Assembly Hall at Warwick Estates, Warwick, N. Y. The Reverend Maurice Marcus called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M. and presided. Mr. J. Harold Johnston served as secretary. The Reverend Robert T. Marsh conducted the opening devotions.

There were present:

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Reverends John J. Soeter (Metro. Jersey), Irving Decker (New Brunswick), Robert T. Marsh (Paramus), Warren J. Hensler (Philadelphia), and Bruce E. Penn (Raritan).

From the Synod of New York: The Reverends William C. Schwab (Brooklyn), Douglas R. MacDonald (Nassau-Suffolk), Herman Barbery (New York), Albert N. Studley (Poughkeepsie),

Frederick Bosh (Queens);

From the Synod of Albany: The Reverends Chester C. Chilton (Saratoga),
Frederick H. Thielpape (Schenectady), Franklin S. Deitz (Schoharie);

From the Synods of
Chicago - Reverend Ralph H. Cordes
Iowa - Reverend James S. Boogerd

Members-at-large: The Reverends Thomas Boslooper, Daniel Y. Smith, Maurice
Larus, Ayle A. Schutter, Cuyler F. E. Thayer, Harry Verstrate, Messrs. Arie Contant,
Carl L. Cleaver, James Dickson, Harold J. Dobbs, George B. Howell, Milton D. Ketchum,
Fred J. Paolini, Roger F. Murray, II, Jonathan Walvoord, Willard C. Wichers and
Charles Winters;

By virtue of office:

President of the Seminary - Dr. Wallace N. Jamison
Treasurer, Mr. L. Russell Peakes
Secretary, Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Secretary, Board of Education, Reverend C. H. Walvoord
Alumni Assn. Representative, Reverend Lee L. Kester, Jr.

Guest: Mr. Walter C. Gates, Director of Development.

Those who had indicated their inability to attend were the Reverends Gordon
Bartis (Rochester), Forest L. Decker (Montgomery), Delbert L. Kinney (Passaic),
Richard J. Skoog (Rockland-Westchester), Harland Steele (Michigan), Roy F. Wagoner
Bergen, the Messrs. R. Earl Haley, Adrian Heerschap, George Hulst, Charles Leuenberger,
Jan H. Rinehart, Howard C. Sheperd, and Drs. Preston J. Stegenga and Calvin Vanderwerf.

The secretary reported the receipt of a communication from the Stated Clerk
of the Classis of New Brunswick certifying that the Reverend Irving H. Decker had been
elected to complete the term expiring at General Synod in 1964 made vacant by the
transfer of the Reverend Leonard A. Jones to the Classis of Newark.

The Chair welcomed the new members elected at the last meeting of General
Synod. (The Revs. Penn, Thielpape, Deitz, Messrs. Howell and Wichers) who were attend-
ing their first meeting of the Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on May 22, 1963 were approved as
distributed.

S-535. Dr. Jamison gave his report as president of the Seminary. Upon motion,
it was received with thanks and ordered filed. The recommendations in the President's
report were considered separately and, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, in
all instances, action was taken as follows:

1. That Dr. Virgil M. Rogers be designated Academic Dean and Dr. Vernon H.
Kooy be redesignated as Registrar subject to the pleasure of the
President and the Board. Adopted and appointments ratified.
2. That the Committee on Recruitment be merged with the Committee on Promotion,
to be known hereafter as the Committee on Recruitment and Promotion.
Placed on table to permit the two committees to consider the proposal.
3. That this Committee be empowered and given the funds to carry on a

vigorous program of recruitment throughout the Church. Placed on table.

1. That the Committee on Professorate be asked to prepare a schedule of faculty ranks with terms for advancement and tenure. Adopted.
5. That the Committee on Professorate study the provisions for sabbatical leaves for the faculty and prepare a policy statement for action by the Board. Adopted.
6. That the Vice-President of General Synod and Chairman of the Committee on Nominations of General Synod be informed that the Board looks with disfavor on any permanent member of the faculty being asked to serve on more than one Board or Commission of the Church, except for the President of the Seminary. Adopted.

S. 536. Mr. Feakes, the treasurer, presented the treasurer's report for the year ending June 30, 1963, copies of which had been distributed to those present. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received and placed upon file. Mr. Feakes likewise reported that the accounting firm of Haskins and Sells had audited the financial books of the Seminary and had submitted their certificate to the Seminary dated August 2, 1963. He also reported that the Executive Committee (Directors) had authorized the Treasurer and Finance Committee to borrow up to \$100,000 between now and the next meeting in January in order to pay contractor's bills.

S-537. The secretary reported the receipt of a letter dated October 1, 1963 from the Rev. Dr. Milton J. Hoffman with respect to his retirement payments. Upon motion, the letter was referred to the Committee on Professorate.

The meeting recessed, upon motion, at 9:15 P.M. until 9:00 A.M., October 3, 1963. The Reverend Ayle A. Schutter closed the meeting with prayer.

The Board reconvened in the Assembly Hall at 9:00 A.M. with the Reverend Robert T. Marsh in the chair. The Reverend Dr. Soeter led in prayer.

Dr. Jamison announced that the Reverend Mr. Henseler had received word that his father had suffered a stroke during the night and that Mr. Henseler had left for home. Word had also been received that the Reverend Delbert J. Kinney was a hospital patient but the reason for admission had not been stated. He suggested that a prayer be offered for the elder Mr. Henseler and Mr. Kinney. The chair called upon the Reverend Mr. Thayer to offer prayer, which was done.

S-538. The Reverend Mr. Marsh, Chairman of the Committee on Professorate, reported that, as Dr. Jamison had stated in his report, several possible candidates for the chair of Church History were in mind. The Committee, however, would be glad to receive additional suggestions of properly qualified men who had majored in Church History and who had good teaching experience. Special sub-committees had been appointed to consider the following matters and to report back to the Committee on Professorate previous to the January meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board (Directors):

1. The President's recommendation that a schedule of faculty ranks with terms for advancement and tenure (S-535).
2. The President's recommendation that a policy statement with respect to sabbatical leaves for the faculty be drafted. (S-535).
3. The letter regarding retirement payments received from Dr. Hoffman (S-537).

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Upon motion, the report was received and approved.

S-539. The Reverend Mr. Barber, Chairman of the Committee on Library and Museum, presented the written report of the Faculty Committee on the Library and the findings of a committee of the American Theological Library Association which, at the seminary's request, had spent three days on the campus in April reviewing programs relating to the Library and counseling with those responsible concerning the library programs and services. The committee endorsed the following recommendations of the Faculty Committee on the Library:

1. That the Board give attention as soon as possible to an addition to the library structure, providing as much space as is possible in the ground now available.
2. That the Board in planning future budgets make adequate provision for books, binding and staff as suggested by the ATLA committee report.

After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be received and that the recommendations be referred to the appropriate committees.

S-540. Mr. Feakes called attention to several sections of the ATLA committee report which indicated the need for the Board, in due course, to make some basic policy decisions with respect to the library program. General discussion followed. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board's Committee on Library and Museum be requested to make a careful study of the ATLA report and to make a detailed and comprehensive report thereon to the Board.

S-541. Mr. Gates reported for Mr. Paolini, Chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee on several sizeable repair and improvement projects which had been completed during the summer or which were currently in progress. He also reported on the satisfactory progress of the new construction. Upon motion, the report was received and ordered placed on file.

S-542. Dr. Jamison reported that Mr. Paolini had asked about a name for the new ministry, suggesting that if a name was to be cut in stone or a special panel aimed for the purpose, provision would have to be made for it shortly. In the discussion which followed, the consensus seemed to be that a plaque, either outside in the vestibule, would be sufficient. It was moved, seconded and carried that a chair appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the subject of naming the new building and to report its views and recommendations at the next meeting of the board. (Subsequently, the chair appointed Reverend Soeter, Reverend Brink and Mr. Howell).

S-543. The Reverend Mr. Thayer, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Admissions presented the committee's report to which was attached a list of 23 incoming students, their addresses, home churches and colleges. It was a matter of interest that seven held degrees from Hone College, five from Rutgers University, and five from Central College in Pella, Iowa. The Committee recommended that appropriate certificates and/or degrees be awarded to Messrs. Herman DeJong, Paul Maury, Robert Perry and Miklos Szolga as warranted by their respective academic attainments at the time the Faculty deems proper. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Committee be received and the recommendations with respect to awarding of certificates and/or degrees be adopted.

S-544. In the absence of the Reverend Mr. Henseler, Chairman of the Committee on Recruitment, the Reverend Mr. Thayer read the Committee's report. Upon motion,

it was received.

S-545. The Reverend Mr. Schutter, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion, stated that the Committees on Recruitment and Promotion had met jointly and had unanimously approved the recommendation of the president (S-535) that the two committees be merged and be known hereafter as the Committee on Recruitment and Promotion. The main thrust of the new committee will be recruitment and while the committee will continue its direction of the Seminary's promotional activities, it would attempt to work along new lines and develop new procedures for the recruitment of students for the Reformed Church ministry. General discussion followed.

S-546. It was moved, seconded and carried that the motion with respect to the President's recommendation that the Committees on Recruitment and Promotion be merged (S-535) be taken from the table. It was moved, seconded and carried that the recommendation be adopted and the committees merged.

S-547. Mr. Schutter stated that the two committees recommended that the 1963-64 budget item for Promotion, catalogues and Bulletins be increased to \$7,500 (it was \$5,000 for 1962-63) to provide funds for the recruitment program. Upon motion, the recommendation was referred to the Committee on Finance for report before final adjournment.

S-548. Mrs. Robert Greenlaw, president of the Women's Auxiliary to the Seminary, gave an interesting report of that organization's activities. Its primary purpose is to provide for the comfort of the students. More comfortable mattresses, reading lamps, drapes and a chair here and there, have been followed by refrigerators and stoves in the apartments for married students, shelves and chairs for the library and blackboards for classrooms. The ladies also provide refreshments and hostesses for receptions and guides for tours of the campus. The members include all women and women's organizations in churches of the three Eastern Synods who contribute annually to the work of the Auxiliary. There are about 450 names on the mailing list and news letters are sent out several times a year. Funds are not solicited but modest gifts (\$5, \$10, perhaps \$25) usually result when the "needs" are listed. An Executive Committee (self-perpetuating) numbering approximately 25 is made up of Seminary Professors' wives and representatives from some of the nearby churches. The representatives from the churches serve for a three year term on a rotation basis. The Executive Committee carries the responsibility for overseeing the activities of the Auxiliary. They also hold and expend the funds of the Auxiliary. Upon motion Mrs. Greenlaw was instructed to take back to the ladies the deep appreciation of the Board of Superintendents for the most useful and helpful activities they had been providing for the students.

At this point, 10:40 A.M., a recess until 11:00 A.M. was declared.

The meeting reconvened at 11:05 A.M. with the Reverend Mr. Marsh in the chair.

S-549. Mr. Feakes stated that the Finance Committee recommended the increase in the budget item for Promotion, Catalogues and Bulletins for 1963-64 from \$6,000 to \$7,500 in order to provide funds for the recruitment program and that the \$1,500 be taken from the Miscellaneous and Contingency Item. He moved the recommendation which was seconded and carried.

S-550. The chair called attention to the report of a study distributed in mimeograph form by Mr. L. Earle Winters, showing that, classis by classis, there had

reduction in benevolence giving during the United School Advance Fund in the General Synod of New Jersey and that the more the churches had given to the Fund the more their contributions had been to denominational benevolences.

3-551. In reply to a question, Dr. Jamison stated that he had noted several items in the PLAN OF ORGANIZATION (the Board's bylaws as approved by General Synod) needed changing to make them conform to present practices but that more experience was desirable with the bylaws before an attempt should be made to rewrite them. He suggested that a note of the need be made in the minutes for future reference.

3-552. The Reverend Mr. Marcus, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, stated that through error the former chairman had presented nominations for officers and committees at the May meeting of the Board whereas under the PLAN OF ORGANIZATION approved by General Synod in 1961, the October meeting (following the June meeting of General Synod at which members of the Board of Superintendents are elected) is the annual meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried that all officers and committees be elected or confirmed at the May, 1963 meeting of the Board and continue in office until the annual meeting in October, 1964.

3-553. The Reverend Mr. Marcus made the following recommendations for additional appointments to committees:

Library and Museum, Mr. Walvoord; Buildings and Grounds, Mr. Dobbs; Students and Examinations, Rev. Decker; Recruitment and Promotion, the Rev. Henseler, Chairman, G. Perry, Thayer, Schutter, Bosch, Curtis, MacDonald, Soeter, Thielpape, Messrs. Dickson and Heerschap.

The Reverend Daniel Y. Brink closed the meeting with a devotional service. Meeting adjourned, upon motion, at 11:55 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Harold Johnston, Secretary

May 20, 1964

The regular Spring Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Wednesday, May 20, 1964, in Suydam Hall on the Seminary campus, New Brunswick, N. J. The Reverend Maurice Marcus, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. and opened the meeting with prayer. In the absence of the secretary, Mr. J. Harold Johnston, Mr. Walter C. Gates, Director of Development, was appointed Temporary Secretary.

Those present were:

From the Synod of Albany: The Reverends Lynn Joosten, Albany; Forest L. Miller, Montgomery; Theodore Thielpape, Schenectady; Franklin S. Deitz, Schoharie; Jared Wageningen, Columbia-Greene; and replacing Reverend Chester Chilton, the Reverend Russell Foster, Saratoga.

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From the Synod of New Jersey: The Reverends Roy F. Wagoner, Bergen; Robert T. Marsh, Paramus; Bruce E. Penn, Raritan; Irving Decker, New Brunswick; Joseph L. Perry, Newark; and Warren J. Henseler, Philadelphia.

From the Synod of New York: The Reverends William C. Schwab, Brooklyn; Richard J. Skoog, Rockland-Westchester; Herman Barbery, New York; Fred R. Bosch, Queens; Douglas R. MacDonald, Nassau-Suffolk; and John Mongin, Orange.

From the Synod of Michigan: The Reverend Harland Steele.

Members at Large: Mr. Carl L. Cleaver, Mr. Arie Contant, Mr. James Dickson, Mr. Harold Dobbs, Mr. George Howell, Mr. Milton D. Ketchum, Mr. Willard C. Wichers and Mr. L. Earle Winters. The Reverends Thomas Boslooper, Daniel Y. Brink, Ayle A. Schutter, Cuyler T. E. Thayer, and Harry Ver Strate.

By virtue of office:

Chairman of the Board: The Reverend Maurice Marcus
 President of the Seminary: Dr. Wallace N. Jamison
 Secretary of the Bd. of Education: Reverend Christian H. Walvoord
 Representative of the Alumni Assn.: Reverend Lee L. Kester, Jr.

Those who had indicated their inability to attend were: the Reverends Delbert L. Kinney, and Albert N. Studley; the Messrs. R. Earl Haley, Donald H. Stires, Alfred Paolini, and George Hust; also President Arend D. Lubbers, Central College; Dr. Calvin Vander Werf, Hope College; and Dr. Preston J. Stegenga, Northwestern College.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on October 2 and 3, 1963, at Warwick Estates, were approved as distributed in mimeographed form.

Dr. Jamison made announcements concerning the details of the commencement exercises, baccalaureate service and housing.

The report of the Executive Committee (Directors) was given by Dr. Jamison.

S-554. Mr. Walter Gates, Director of Development, presented the report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee. The report was accepted as read and ordered attached to the file copy of these minutes.

S-555. The Reverend Maurice Marcus submitted the report from the Professorate Committee. It was recommended:

- 1) In view of the unanimous response to the ballot previously mailed, the Committee recommends that the Board confirm this action by electing Dr. John W. Beardslee III to the position of Associate Professor of Church History at a salary of \$7,000 plus the customary perquisites.
- 2) In view of the response to the ballot previously mailed the Committee recommends that the Board confirm this action by electing Dr. E. Earle Ellis to the position of Visiting Professor of Biblical Languages and Exegesis at a salary of \$6,000 plus housing for the twelve month period ending August 31, 1965.

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- 3) That the faculty shall be classified according to the following ranks: Lector, Associate Professor and Professor. The Board of Superintendents is to be empowered to appoint qualified members of the teaching staff of the Seminary to the rank of Lector or Associate Professor. When a chair is vacant, the Board shall nominate a candidate to the General Synod for the rank of Professor of Theology. Except in unusual circumstances to be determined by the Board, the following criteria will operate in making appointments and nominations:

1. Persons holding the rank of Lector or Associate Professor at the Seminary are subject to the final authority of the Board of Superintendents.
2. Persons who have been elected Professor of Theology are subject to the final authority of the General Synod, in accordance with the Constitution of the R.C.A.
3. An earned doctoral degree shall be requisite to appointment as Professor of Theology in every chair except the chair of Practical Theology.
4. Promotion to the rank of Associate Professor is made by the Board of Superintendents upon the recommendation of the President of the Seminary with the advice of the Professors of Theology.
5. Election to the rank of Professor of Theology is made by the General Synod, R.C.A. upon the nomination of the Board of Superintendents, after recommendation by the President of the Seminary with the advice of the Professors of Theology.
6. The rank of Professor of Theology carries with it tenure.
7. A salary scale shall be established for each of the three academic ranks and shall be reviewed annually by the Finance Committee.

When ratified by the Board of Superintendents, the above provisions shall supersede all previous statements on faculty rank, tenure and promotion.

- 4) That the following provisions for sabbatical leaves be adopted:
1. The sabbatical leave is designed to encourage scholarly research and to strengthen the teaching program of the Seminary. Sabbatical leaves are granted by the Board of Superintendents when the following conditions have been met:
 - a) The candidate must have completed six full teaching years after having achieved tenure at the Seminary before the commencement of the sabbatical.
 - b) The candidate shall apply to the Board of Superintendents for the sabbatical not later than March 15 of the calendar year in which the sabbatical is to begin.

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- c) Accompanying the letter of application shall be a statement of the purpose for which the sabbatical is requested (e.g. study, research, writing) and an outline of the way the candidate proposes to achieve his purpose.
- d) Not more than one candidate from the teaching staff of the Seminary shall be granted a sabbatical during any one year.
2. The Committee on Professorate of the Board shall receive and examine each application for sabbatical leave and shall present the application to the Board for its action at the next meeting, with a recommendation to approve, disapprove or defer.
3. In the event that the Board approves the application of the candidate, the following provisions shall apply:
 - a) The sabbatical shall extend from September 1 to August 31 at two-thirds of the base salary of the candidate payable in twelve monthly installments, unless other arrangements are requested by the candidate and approved by the Administration.
 - b) Subject to the approval of the Board the candidate may elect to take a sabbatical of one term during the academic year plus the summer at full salary.
 - c) Annuity payments for the candidate during his sabbatical shall be made on the basis of the amount paid to him.
 - d) The Seminary shall continue to pay in full the premiums for the Major Medical policy and the Term Life Insurance policy held by the candidate during his sabbatical.
 - e) If the candidate or his family remains in residence on the Seminary campus during the sabbatical leave, the Seminary will provide for heating the house. No cash settlement will be provided if the house is not occupied.

The following action was taken:

- Recommendation #1 - Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt recommendation.
- Recommendation #2 - Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt recommendation.
- Recommendation #3 - Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt recommendation.
- Recommendation #4 - Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt recommendation.

A letter was read from Dr. Milton J. Hoffman dated October 3, 1963. The following recommendations were presented:

1. That the pension arrangements with Dr. Hoffman not be reopened since the provisions made were in full accord with the retirement policy in effect at the time Dr. Hoffman retired.

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letter from Dr. Hoffman, continued)

2. That the Executive Committee (Directors) be requested to restudy the Pension Policy adopted May 21, 1956, and make recommendations concerning a possible increase in retirement allowances to the three living professors emeriti.

The following action was taken:

Recommendation #1 - Voted: To table this recommendation until the October, 1964 meeting and that a select committee be appointed to meet with Dr. Hoffman and report back to the Board at the Fall meeting.

Recommendation #2 - Voted: Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt this recommendation.

S-556. The Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, the Reverend Cuyler T. E. Thayer, reported that the Committee had met with each member of the senior class. The Committee joined the Faculty in recommending that the appropriate degrees and/or Professorial Certificates be granted. Voted: - To adopt the recommendation and the report.

S-557. The Reverend Barbery reported for the Committee on Library and Museum. He also referred to the Reverend Peter VandenBerge's "Progress Report" which is attached to the file copy of these minutes.

S-558. The Reverend Warren Henseler reported for the Committee on Recruitment and Promotion and stated that the Permanent Committee on Theological Education of the General Synod is analyzing the need for ministers and his Committee will be guided by their analysis. The Recruitment Committee has been reviewing recruitment and promotional materials used by other denominations. Recommended:

- 1) That the Seminary send to ministers of the churches in the three Eastern Synods a list of presently available recruitment activities and materials.
- 2) That the Seminary sponsor a week-end on Church vocations in the Spring of 1965 for the purpose of presenting the challenge of the ministry to college students whose names are suggested by their pastors. The expenses for the week-end, other than transportation which will be paid by the students, will be underwritten by the Seminary.

Voted: Recommendation #1.- Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the recommendation.

Recommendation #2 - Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the recommendation.

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S-559. Reverend Marcus reported for the Committee on Nominations as follows:

For Nomination to General Synod:Members-at-Large for a term of six years:

Reverend Donald A. Maxam
Mr. Loring B. Andrews
Mr. Gordon Bradbury
Mr. H. Allen Lochner

For a term of one year to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Shepherd:
Mr. John A. Kowald

Executive Committee (Directors) for a term of one year:

Mr. Gordon Bradbury	Reverend Donald A. Maxam
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink	Dr. Roger F. Murray II
Rev. Gordon H. Curtis	Mr. Alfred Paolini
Mr. James Dickson	Rev. Ayle A. Schutter
Mr. Harold Dobbs	Rev. John J. Soeter
Mr. Adrian Heerschap	Mr. Donald Stires
Rev. Warren Henseler	Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer
Rev. Robert Marsh	Mr. L. Earle Winters

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Dr. Wallace N. Jamison,	President of the Seminary
Mr. L. Russell Feakes,	Treasurer of the Seminary
Mr. J. Harold Johnston,	Secretary of the Seminary
Rev. Maurice Marcus,	Chairman of the Board of Superintendents
Rev. Christian H. Walvoord	Secretary of Board of Education
Rev. David Van Sickle	Representative of Alumni Association

Voted: To adopt the nominations to General Synod.

S-560. Mr. L. Russell Feakes presented the report of the Finance Committee and distributed copies of the proposed budget for 1964-65 to the members of the Board. The proposed budget called for expenditures of \$211,050 with an anticipated income of \$88,200, thus leaving the necessary income needed from the churches in amount \$122,850.

Voted: To adopt the budget for 1964-65 as presented.

At this point in the meeting the graduating class of 1964 was presented by Dean Virgil Rogers.

S-561. The Reverend VandenBerge, Secretary of the Faculty, presented the report of the Faculty. Copies of the report had been distributed to each member of the Board. The following recommendations were made:

- 1) That the present members of the Junior Class be advanced to the Middler Class, and that the present members of the Middler Class be advanced to the Senior Class.

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Voted: To adopt this recommendation.

- 2) That the following members of the Senior Class be awarded the Professorial and/or Bachelor of Divinity Degrees:

For the Professorial Certificate:

**David R. Coddington
* Herman Dale DeJong
Fred W. Diekman
* Paul Cornell Ferenczy
Ronald W. LaRose
Jack H. Millard
Frederick Hearn Musson
Robert A. Perless

*Robert A. Perry
Robert Hervey Pope
Albert A. Smith
H. Eugene Speckman
Ronald Conrad Stockhoff
*Miklos Szolga
Paul D. Van Elk
Jacob Wielhouwer

* Awarded December, 1963

** Awarded March, 1964

For the Bachelor of Divinity Degree:

David R. Coddington
Herman Dale DeJong
Fred W. Diekman
Paul Cornell Ferenczy
Ronald W. LaRose
Jack H. Millard
Frederick Hearn Musson
Robert A. Perry

Robert Hervey Pope
Albert A. Smith
H. Eugene Speckman
Ronald Conrad Stockhoff
Miklos Szolga
Walter John Ungerer
Paul D. Van Elk
Jacob Wielhouwer

Voted to adopt this recommendation.

Dr. Vernon H. Kooy reported on his sabbatical leave and suggested that the faculty and the Board of Superintendents work more closely together. He also suggested the possibility of faculty members living off campus.

S-561 Mr. Walter C. Gates presented the report on Campus development. The report was for information only. Copy of report is attached to file copy of these minutes.

S-562 The Reverend Ayle Schutter reported for the committee to name the new dormitory for married students. The name SCUDDER HALL was chosen in memory of Reverend John Scudder, pioneer missionary.

The Board members were reminded that the next meeting would be held on October 7 and 8, 1964, at Warwick Estates.

The Reverend Daniel Y. Brink led in the closing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter C. Gates
Secretary Pro Tem

October 7 and 8, 1964

The Annual meeting of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held in the Assembly Room of Warwick Estates, Warwick, N.J. on Wednesday and Thursday, October 7 and 8, 1964. The Reverend Mr. Maurice Marcus, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. on October 7, 1964, and presided. Mr. J. Harold Johnston acted as Secretary. The Reverend Theodore Thielpape led in a devotional service.

There were present:

From the Synod of Albany: The Reverends Lynn T. Joosten, Albany; Jared Van Wagenen, Columbia-Greene; Forest L. Decker, Montgomery; Russell F. Pater, Saratoga Theodore H. Thielpape, Schenectady; Franklin S. Deitz, Schoharie.

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Reverends Roy W. Wagoner, Bergen; Irving H. Decker, New Brunswick; Robert T. Marsh, Paramus; Arie R. Brouwer, Passaic; Warren J. Henseler, Philadelphia; Bruce E. Penn, Raritan.

From the Synod of New York: The Reverends William C. Schwab, Brooklyn; Herman L. Barbery, New York; John Mongin, Orange; Arthur Landon, Poughkeepsie; Frederick R. Bosch, Queens; Richard J. Skoog, Rockland-Westchester; Ronald Lokhorst, Ulster.

From the Synod of Iowa: The Reverend James S. Boogerd.

Members-At-Large: The Messrs. Loring B. Andrews, Gordon Bradbury, James Dickson, Harold J. Dobbs, Adrian C. Heerschap, George B. Howell, George D. Hulst, Milton D. Ketchum, John A. Kowald, H. Allen Lochner, Roger F. Murray, II, Alfred J. Paolini, Donald H. Stires, Jonathan Walvoord, L. Earle Winters; the Reverends Thomas Boslooper, Daniel Y. Brink, Donald A. Maxam, Ayle A. Schutter and Cuyler T. E. Thayer.

By virtue of office:

Chairman of the Board:	The Reverend Mr. Maurice Marcus
President of the Seminary:	Dr. Wallace N. Jamison
Secretary of the Board:	Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Treasurer of the Seminary:	Mr. L. Russell Feakes
Alumni Assn. Representative:	The Reverend Mr. David C. Van Sickle

Guest: Mr. Walter C. Gates, Director of Development.

Those who had indicated their inability to attend were: Mr. R. Earl Haley, (at-large); President Arend D. Lubbers, (Central College); President Calvin A. Vander Werf, (Hope College); Mr. Willard C. Wichers, (at large); the Reverends Gordon H. Curtis, (Rochester); John J. Soeter, (Metropolitan Jersey); Harland Steele, (Michigan); Christian Walvoord, (Board of Education, R.C.A.); and Ralph H. Cordes who is no longer in the Synod of Chicago.

The Chair welcomed the following Members-at-Large who were attending their first meeting since election to the Board by General Synod last June: the Reverend Mr. Donald A. Maxam of Baldwin, Long Island, N.Y.; Messrs. Loring B. Andrews, Scarsdale, New York; Gordon Bradbury, Pompton Plains, N.J.; John A. Kowald, Highland Park, N.J.; and H. Allen Lochner, New York City. Those whose terms had expired were: the Reverend Mr. Harry Ver Strate, Messrs. Charles

Leuenberger, Arie Contant, and Carl L. Cleaver. Mr. Howard S. Sheperd found it necessary to resign.

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The minutes of the previous meeting held in New Brunswick on May 20, 1964, were approved, upon motion, as distributed previous to the meeting in mimeographed form.

S-563 Dr. Jamison presented his report as President of the Seminary and copies were distributed to those present for careful reading. He called attention to the fact that the student body stands at 52: 13 Seniors, 21 Middlers, 13 Juniors, 4 student interns away from the campus this year, and one special student. One third of the students who had been accepted for admission this fall failed to appear. Scudder Hall is fully occupied. There are a number of vacant apartments in Hertzog Hall, some of which will be used for the Ministers-In-Residence Program.

S-564. Dr. Jamison reported verbally that an extensive study was in progress to determine the need for ministers in the Reformed Church in America and he presented a number of tables and charts (by projection on a screen), comparing certain statistics of 1944 with those of 1964 for both the Eastern and Western Synods. Dr. Jamison's present conclusion was that the needs of the Eastern Synods could be met by a student body of not over seventy-five students at this time.

S-565. Dr. Jamison also presented and distributed a tabulation of the contributions of each church in each Classis of the three Eastern Synods to September 29, 1964, compared with the total received for the year 1963. He was concerned with the churches which had contributed nothing for he believed in a wide base of Seminary support. The operating budget for 1964-1965 requires \$122,850 from the churches to balance the budgeted expenditures whereas in 1963-64, the total received had been \$89,081.89. It was imperative that each Classis should now confront each church with the Seminary's need and opportunity. Contributions equalling one dollar per member per year will produce the needed funds. Upon motion, the report of the President was received with thanks, and the written portion was ordered filed.

S-566. President Jamison presented the following three recommendations:

1. That the committee structure of the Board be changed so that:
 - a. Every member be placed on at least one committee of the Board.
 - b. No member other than the chairman and vice-chairman be on more than once committee in addition to the Executive Committee.
2. That the Chairman appoint a committee to revised the Plan of Organization of the Board, and that the committee consult with both the administration and faculty of the Seminary as they prepare a revised Plan for later submission to the Board.
3. That the Committee on Promotion and Recruitment be asked to prepare a check-off list (or outline, or manual) for the Classical representatives on the Board of Superintendents

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instructing them on ways to promote the Seminary in their respective Classes and that the representatives be directed to report their activities in the matter to the Committee on Promotion and Recruitment in time for the Committee to report in detail at the Spring Meeting of the Board of Superintendents.

S-567 After discussion of each of the recommendations, and separate motions and votes, the recommendations were unanimously adopted.

S-568 Mr. Feakes, the Treasurer, reported for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964. Receipts had totaled \$181,672.62 and expenditures \$188,801.47, resulting in a deficit for the year of \$7,128.85, compared with a surplus of \$5,641.98 for the preceding year. He stated that the certified public accounting firm of Haskins and Sells had examined the Seminary's financial accounts and had certified that the financial statements as prepared by the Treasurer were correct. After discussion, the report was received, upon motion, and ordered filed.

S-569. Mr. Paolini, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, with Mr. Stires, a member of the Committee, and Mr. Gates, Director of Development at the Seminary, made an extensive report, proposing that the present campus be sold to Rutgers, the State University (for \$1,200,000 to \$1,500,000) and that the Seminary relocate in a less populous area deemed to be appropriately situated with respect to the three Eastern Synods. Two reliable contractors had prepared construction estimates for the buildings the Committee thought necessary. It was the Committee's judgment that with the \$609,000 still to be received from the United Synod Advance and \$1,200,000 to \$1,500,000 to be received from the sale of the present campus, the move could be made, complete with all new, modern buildings, for an additional \$100,000 depending upon the actual amount received for the present property.

S-570. Long discussion followed. It was agreed that the Committee on Buildings and Grounds would study the matter further and would present a motion for consideration at the session tomorrow morning.

The meeting recessed at 9:40 P.M. until 9:00 A.M., October 8, 1964, so that Committee sessions might be held. The Reverend Mr. Marcus led in prayer.

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The Board reconvened in the Assembly Hall at 9:00 A.M. with the Reverend Mr. Robert T. Marsh, Vice-Chairman of the Board, presiding. The Reverend Mr. Donald A. Maxam led in a devotional service.

S-571. Mr. Paolini presented the following resolution as drafted last night (with one dissenting vote) for submission to the Board and moved its adoption:

That the Board of Superintendents approve in principle the relocation of the Seminary as outlined in the last half of the report of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds (as submitted at last night's session) and that the question be referred to a special meeting of the Board of Superintendents to be held in January for implementation and referral to

General Synod. The motion was seconded and long discussion followed. It was moved and seconded that the following motion be substituted for the motion presented by Mr. Paolini:

S-572

That the Executive Committee (Directors) be instructed to continue to explore the possibility of relocating the Seminary and Superintendents to be held during January, 1965, and that, erecting new buildings on the present campus and for making major repairs to present buildings be suspended.

After a motion that debate cease and a vote be taken was unanimously passed, the Chair put the substitute motion and called for a vote by the showing of hands. The vote was thirty-four to four in favor of substituting the above motion for the previous one.

The Chair called for a vote on the motion as substituted and it was adopted by a voice vote.

S-573.

In the debate on the previous motion, the desirability of merger of the two theological seminaries of the Reformed Church in America had been proposed by several speakers. After further discussion it was moved, seconded and carried without a negative vote that the officers of the Board of Superintendents explore the possibility of merger with Western Theological Seminary.

S-574.

Mrs. Robert Greenlaw, President of the Women's Auxiliary to the Seminary reported that gifts to the Auxiliary from women's organizations in the churches in the three Eastern Synods had totaled \$2,413.12. Most of this had been used in purchasing drapery material for Scudder Hall (from which the ladies had made the drapes for all the windows) and with about \$3,000 from funds on hand, made the purchase of refrigerators and other items for the Scudder Hall apartments. In addition, a special committee had identified, inventoried, marked and repacked all of the items in the Suydam Hall attic which had at one time been on display in the Seminary's museum. The Chair expressed the thanks of the Board to the ladies. It was moved and seconded that Mrs. Greenlaw be requested to convey the deep appreciation of the Board to the Women's Auxiliary. The motion was adopted by a rising vote and applause for the ladies.

S-575

The Reverend Mr. Marcus, Chairman of the Select Committee to meet with Dr. Hoffman (S-555) and consisting of himself and the Reverends Daniel Y. Brink and Harry Ver Strate (whose term on the Board has since expired) stated that the Committee had met with Dr. Hoffman on June 1, 1964, and presented the Committee's report which contained the following four recommendations:

1. That the sum of \$2,400 be paid to Dr. Hoffman in partial payment for the years that have passed since his retirement in 1956.
2. That the sum of \$25.00 per month be granted to Dr. Hoffman. (This sum in addition to the \$25.00 monthly payment now being paid to him and to other retired members of the Seminary staff will total \$50.00 per month.)

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3. That the payments begin as of October 15, 1964.
4. That this sum be paid until his decease with no survivor benefits.

The Reverend Mr. Brink spoke in favor of the recommendations and discussion followed. In reply to a question, Mr. Brink stated that he agreed with those who had previously studied the matter that the Seminary had met in full whatever legal obligations it may have had in the matter and thus the Committee's recommendations were based primarily on the fact that Dr. Hoffman had been a valued member of the faculty over the years, that he was highly popular with a large number of alumni who had been inspired by him, that it was desirable to keep his good will toward the Seminary and that he could have received a substantially larger salary and more generous retirement benefits if he had elected to be a parish minister than a professor at the Seminary. In the discussion which followed it was also pointed out that the payments Dr. Hoffman is now receiving are in accord with the pension program the Board of Superintendents had adopted previous to Dr. Hoffman's retirement and that the payment to which he is entitled from the Contributory Annuity Fund on a single life basis resulting from the contributions made on his behalf by the Seminary actually exceed the yearly amount he says President Demarest promised him. It was agreed that the recommendations would be acted upon after the recess for luncheon. Upon motion, the report was received and ordered filed.

The Board recessed at 11:50 A.M. to reconvene at 1:00 P.M.

The Board reconvened in the Assembly Hall at 1:00 P.M. with the Reverend Mr. Marsh in the Chair. Mr. Marsh led in prayer.

S-576. After some further discussion, the Chair called for a vote on Recommendation #1 of the Select Committee. There were no votes in favor of the recommendation (Mr. Brink had left for home) and the Chair declared it lost.

S-577. It was moved, seconded and carried, with several nays, that Recommendation #2, #3, and #4 be adopted.

At this point the Chairman took the Chair.

S-578. The Reverend Mr. Herman Barbery, Chairman of the Committee on Library, commented briefly on the report of the Faculty Committee on the Library which had been distributed in mimeographed form. Upon motion, the report was received and ordered filed.

S-579 The Reverend Mr. Warren J. Henseler, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion and Recruitment, distributed the report of his Committee and, upon motion, it was received.

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The Reverend Cuyler T. E. Thayer, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations reported that four members of the Committee had met with the sixteen new students who had entered the Seminary this fall. He presented the following five recommendations from the Committee:

1. That the Chairman of each standing committee be on the committee for revision of the Plan of Organization of the Seminary.
2. That there be included in the revision of the Plan of Organization a clarification of the division of responsibility between the faculty and the Committee on Students and Examinations as related to the pastoral needs of the students.
3. That there be an annual joint meeting between the Committee on Students and Examinations and the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum to discuss inter-related problems.
4. That the faculty study the practice of pre-enrollment in the light of the number of pre-enrolled students who did not register for the Fall Term.
5. That the Board of Superintendents appoint a committee to study the advisability of continuing the Seminary's present emphasis on preparing men for the pastoral ministry alone.

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After discussion, and upon motion in each case, the five recommendations were unanimously adopted.

3-582

The Reverend Mr. David Van Sickle, representative of the Alumni Association, reported briefly. He stated that a study was in progress of ways in which interest in, and support of, the Seminary among alumni could be intensified. He also reported that the Association had chosen the Organ Fund as the objective for the annual giving campaign this year.

3-583

The Reverend Mr. Maurice Marcus, chairman of the Committee on Nominations, placed the following names in nomination for Committee memberships in 1964-65:

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum

Rev. Mr. Ayle A. Schutter, Chairman
Mr. Gordon Bradbury
Rev. Mr. Gordon Curtis
Rev. Lynn T. Joosten

Mr. Milton Ketchum
Mr. John Kowald
Rev. Mr. Harland Steele
The Rev. Jared Van Wageningen

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Committee on Students & Examinations

Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer, Chairman
Rev. Thomas Boslooper
Rev. Arie R. Brouwer
Rev. Ronald Lokhorst

Rev. Donald Maxam
Rev. Bruce Penn
Rev. Richard Skoog
Rev. Roy Wagoner

Committee on Promotion & Recruitment

Rev. Warren Henseler, Chairman
Rev. James Boogerd
Mr. James Dickson
Rev. Franklin Deitz
Mr. E. Earl Haley
Mr. Adrian C. Heerschap

Rev. Douglas MacDonald
Rev. Joseph Perry
Rev. William Schwab
Rev. Theodore Thielpape
Mr. Willard Wichers

Committee on Library & Museum

Rev. Herman Barbery, Chairman
Rev. Ralph Cordes
Rev. Forest Decker
Mr. George Howell

Mr. George Hulst
Rev. Arthur Landon
Mr. Allan Rinehart
Mr. Jonathan Walvoord

Committee on Nominations

Rev. Robert T. Marsh, Chairman
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink
Dr. Wallace N. Jamison

Rev. John Mongin
Rev. Russell Pater
Mr. L. Earle Winters

The Chair called for further nominations. There were none. It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be approved.

S-584. The Rev. Marcus placed the following names in nomination on behalf of the Committee on Nominations for officers of the Bd. of Superintendents for the comi

Chairman:	The Rev. Robert T. Marsh
Vice-Chairman:	The Rev. Alyle A. Schutter
Secretary:	Mr. J. Harold Johnston
Treasurer:	Mr. L. Russell Peakes

The Chair called for further nominations. There were none. It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot for the nominees. This was done and the Chair declared them elected to the offices as indicated.

S-585 After discussion and a showing of hands on several choices, it was agreed that the special meeting of the Board (S-572) would be held on January 18 and 19, 1965.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned, upon motion, at 1:40 P.M., October 8, 1964. The Reverend Marcus closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Harold Johnston
Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting held at Warwick Estates on October 7 and 8, 1964, were approved, upon motion, as distributed previous to the meeting in mimeographed form.

3-586. The Chair reminded the Board that the special meeting had been called to consider a report from the Executive Committee (Director S-572) continued exploration of the possibility of relocating the Seminary (S-572). He reported that while the Committee on Buildings and Grounds had continued its studies and had presented several memoranda at the Executive Committee (Directors) meeting last night (D-518), it was clear that further action in this area should be held in abeyance until the question of merger with the Western Theological Seminary had been disposed of. The Executive Committee (Directors) recommended therefore that no action with respect to relocation be taken until the decision concerning merger was made. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the recommendation be approved.

Mr. Marsh stated that, in response to the action of the Board at its last meeting (S-573) in requesting the officers of the Board to explore the possibility of merger with Western Theological Seminary, he and President Jamison had met twice with representatives from Western. The talks had been most friendly and active interest in the proposal had been evidenced by the Western representatives. There was unanimous agreement that the Boards of both Seminaries should be asked to approve a study of the merger proposal and the conferees had unanimously agreed upon a framework for the study which they were recommending to their respective Boards in the form of a motion as follows:

"Moved: that the Board of Superintendents approve a study of the proposal to merge New Brunswick Theological Seminary and Western Theological Seminary, within the following framework:

- I. Aim of the Study. The aim of this study shall be to decide the question of merger of New Brunswick and Western Seminaries in the light of the larger question of the continuing mission of the Church. Technical matters relative to the various mechanics involved in a merger shall be decided after the question of merger.
- II. Structure of the Study. Since both Seminaries are under the direct supervision of the General Synod, it is proposed that the Permanent Committee on Theological Education conduct the study on the question of merger.
 - 1) This committee has official standing in the denomination life of the Church. It is General Synod's voice on matters of theological instruction.
 - 2) Its membership includes the highest ranking personnel concerned with theological education in the Reformed Church in America. In addition, it includes Board, pastoral and elder leadership typical of the best qualified people in the Church.

- 3) The Constitution of the Reformed Church in America gives the General Synod "original" authority over all matters relating to theological schools. (12:7c)

.... Procedure. Should this proposal be voted by the two Seminary Boards, it would then be referred to the Permanent Committee on Theological Education. If agreeable to the Permanent Committee it is suggested that each Board appoint two additional members to meet with the Committee for purposes of study and discussion.

The Permanent Committee shall report its findings to the two Seminary Boards for information and shall recommend to the General Synod whatever action the result of their study would indicate."

Mr. Marsh added that the Board of Trustees of Western Theological Seminary met but once a year (in May) but that at a meeting of the Board's Executive Committee held in Holland on November 23, 1964, following consultations with many individuals involved in the life of the Seminary, it had unanimously taken the following action, "that the Executive Committee, in reply to the inquiry of the Board of Trustees of the New Brunswick Seminary, deems it feasible to enter into a study with New Brunswick Seminary as to the possibility of a merger of the seminaries". The president and chairman of the Board of Trustees were authorized to correspond with similar officers at New Brunswick to discuss procedures. Mr. Marsh also reported that he had received a telephone call last night stating that the Executive Committee had adopted, without change, the proposed framework, for the study given above, and upon receiving word about the action taken by the Board of Superintendents, stood ready to call a special meeting of the Board of Trustees to consider the proposal for study previous to the scheduled March meeting of the Permanent Committee on Theological Education.

It was moved and seconded that the above (S-587) motion be adopted. Mr. Marsh reported that the Executive Committee (Directors) had gone on record as approving the proposed study motion but with the recommendation that the final paragraph be changed to provide that the findings of the Permanent Committee be reported to the two Seminary Boards not for information only but for approval prior to submission to the General Synod. Mr. Marsh also stated that the Executive Committee (Directors) had asked Dr. Jamison to outline to the Board his reasons for favoring a careful study of merging the two Seminaries. This Dr. Jamison did and long discussion followed.

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S-590. It was moved and seconded that the motion (S-587) be called to call for the appointment by the presidents of a committee of six members from each Board of the seminaries to make the study and to report their findings to the two Boards. After further discussion, the previous question was called for by a majority vote. The amendment was put, the voting was declared lost.

S-591. It was moved and seconded that the motion be called to call for the paragraph read as follows: "The Permanent Committee shall report its findings to the two Seminary Boards for approval, to be acted upon by the General Synod for whatever action the result of their study would indicate." The question was put and, upon a count of raised hands, the chair declared the amendment adopted.

S-592. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the original motion as amended be placed on the table and be made the first order of business following the luncheon recess.

S-593. President Jamison stated that Dr. John W. Beardslee, III, associate Professor of Church History by action of the Board last May (S-555), had demonstrated excellence in teaching during the past two terms, that he was well-liked and respected by the student body and that the full professors unanimously recommend his nomination to the General Synod for full professorship and to the Abraham Messler Quick Chair of Church History. The Committee on the Professorate had not been able to meet but, as the Permanent Committee on Theological Education was meeting early in March the chairman of the Committee recommended that the Board of Superintendents act directly upon the matter. It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that Dr. Beardslee be so nominated.

S-594. The Chair stated that the Executive Committee (Directors) recommend the adoption of the following statement of policy:

A professor of theology is called by the Church to teach candidates for ordination at the Seminary and nothing must be allowed to interfere with this primary task. When a professor's schedule permits, he may be invited to preach or address a church body, but it should be understood that such duties come in addition to the duties of his teaching profession and they should be remunerated accordingly.

After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the statement be approved.

It was moved, seconded and carried, at 12:25 P.M., that the meeting recess for luncheon. The Reverend Dr. Brink led in prayer.

The meeting reconvened at 2:00 P.M. with Mr. Marsh in the chair. The Reverend Harland Steele led in prayer.

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-595 It was moved, seconded and carried the original motion (S-587) as amended (S-591) concerning the study of the proposal to merge the two Seminaries be taken from the table. This was done and the Chair called for discussion on the amended motion. After further discussion, the previous motion was unanimously voted for. The Chair put the question and, upon a voice vote, the original motion as amended duly adopted.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned upon motion, at 3:05 P.M. President Jamison closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Harold Johnston
Secretary

May 19, 1965

The regular Spring Meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Wednesday, May 19, 1965, in Suydam Hall on the Seminary campus. The Reverend Robert T. Marsh, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 2:01 P.M. and led in the opening prayer. Mr. James Dickson was appointed Temporary Secretary.

Those present were:

From the Synod of Albany: The Reverends Lynn T. Joosten, Albany; Jared van Wagenen, Columbia-Greene; Theodore H. Thielpape, Schenectady; Charles J. Boonstra, Rochester; Franklin S. Dietz, Schoharie; Robert A. Geddes, Montgomery; Russell F. Pater, Saratoga.

From the Synod of New York: The Reverends William Schwab, Brooklyn; Herman L. Barbery, New York; John W. Mongin, Orange; Frederick R. Bosch, Queens; Richard J. Skoog, Rockland-Westchester; Ronald D. Lokhorst, Ulster.

From the Synod of New Jersey: The Reverends Irving H. Decker, New Brunswick; Arie R. Brouwer, Passaic; Warren J. Henseler, Philadelphia; Bruce E. Penn, Raritan; Albert C. Freeman, Newark.

By virtue of Office:

President of the Seminary: Dr. Wallace N. Jamison
Chairman of the Board of Superintendents: The Rev. Robert T. Marsh
Treasurer of the Board of Superintendents: Mr. L. Russell Peakes
Representative of the Alumni Association: The Rev. David Van Sickle

Mr. Walter C. Gates was present as a guest.

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Announcements were made regarding Expense Accounts, plans for meeting faculty and graduating seniors, the academic procession tomorrow. Copies of the Plan of Organization were distributed to new members.

Dr. Jamison reported that the recommendations of the Executive Committee will be presented to the Board through reports of officers and committees.

S-596. Mr. Marsh presented a resolution honoring our late Secretary, J. Harold Johnston. Upon acceptance by the Board, Mr. Marsh led in prayer of thanksgiving for Mr. Johnston's outstanding witness.

S-597. Building and Grounds Committee, Mr. Gates reporting for Mr. Paolini. New construction, major repairs and improvements have been stopped, in accordance with the Board's directive. Scudder Hall has been accepted and paid for. The contract with the architects has been terminated. Voted to receive and accept the report.

S-598. Committee on Professorate, the Rev. Ayle Schutter reporting. The Committee will study salaries during the coming year and recommend to the Executive Committee salary scales for all academic ranks of faculty members..

The Committee on Professorate thanked Dr. Jamison and the entire faculty for a year of consecrated service.

The Committee recommends that the Rev. Charles J. Wissink be retained as lector in Christian Education for a period of three years unless he completes the work for his doctorate in a shorter time. At the end of the three-year period, or when he receives his doctorate, his future relationship to the Seminary is to be reviewed by the Board of Superintendents.

The Committee recommends that Dr. E. Earle Ellis be retained on the faculty for one more year as Visiting Professor in New Testament.

Voted: to receive the report, to adopt the recommendations and to adopt the report as a whole.

S-599 Committee on Students and Examination, the Rev. Cuyler Thayer reporting. The committee has examined Robert Barrowclough, Neal S. Busker, Calvin C. Hays, Richard A. Miller, John D. Pontier, David Waanders and Everett L. Zabriskie, and recommends that the appropriate degree and certificates be awarded to these men.

Voted: To receive and adopt the report.

S-600 Committee on Library and Museum, the Rev. Herman Barbery reporting. The Seminary's book selections for 1964-65 have been approved and the fourth annual grant of \$3,000.00 from the ATLA Development Program has been received. It is hoped that we can qualify for another \$3,000.00 grant for the coming year, which will be the final allowable grant from this program. To maintain our excellent library, funds are needed at least at present levels of purchase, and more as book prices increase. The space problem becomes more acute each year.

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Mr. Gates reported that the Women's Auxiliary was working with the museum articles. There were no recommendations.

Voted: to receive the report.

S-601. Committee on Recruitment and Promotion, the Rev. Warren Henseler reporting. Promotional materials and letters are circulated to the churches by the Seminary. Ministers-in-Residence Programs were conducted this year for 31 ministers. This program will be continued in 1966. The main recruiting activity was a very successful Men-for-the-Ministry Conference held on campus April 2, 3 and 4, 1965, for college Juniors and Seniors. Of the 25 who attended, 2 will attend our Seminary this fall. The Committee recommends that the Board approve the Men-for-the-Ministry Conferences and urge one or more for the coming year. The committee recommends a budget of \$7,500.00 for the coming year.

Voted: to receive the report and adopt the recommendations.

S-602. The Rev. Ayle Schutter, Vice-Chairman, presided while the Rev. Robert Marsh presented the report of the Nominating Committee.

Nominations for Vice-Chairman and for Secretary will be presented to the Board at its Fall Meeting.

For Nominations to the General Synod:

Members-at-large

The Reverend Martin Punt
Mr. John Kowald
Mr. A. Franklin Deuble
Mr. Arie Contant

Members of the Executive Committee (Directors)

The Rev. Frederick R. Bosch	the Reverend Maurice Marcus
Mr. Gordon Bradbury	the Reverend Donald A. Maxam
the Reverend Daniel Y. Brink	Dr. Roger F. Murray
the Reverend Irving Decker	Mr. Alfred Paolini
Mr. Harold Dobbs	the Rev. John J. Soeter
Mr. Adrian Heerschap	Mr. Donald H. Stires
Mr. James Dickson	the Rev. Cuyler T. E. Thayer
the Rev. Warren Henseler	Mr. L. Earle Winters

By virtue of Office:

Mr. L. Russell Feakes
Dr. Wallace N. Jamison
the Rev. Robert T. Marsh
the Rev. David Van Sickle
the Rev. Christian Walvoord

Voted: that report be received and adopted.

S-603.

Mr. L. Russell Feakes presented the report of income and expense for the 10 months

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5603 from July 1, 1964 to April 30, 1965. He pointed out that, although contributions from the churches are \$5,700.00 higher than for the same period last year, it is improbable that the total budgeted amount will be received. Because expenditures for Repairs and Improvements have been so drastically curtailed (only \$3,400.00 spent this year) it is probable that a modest surplus will develop for the year.

Voted: To receive the Treasurer's Report.

5604 Mr. Peakes presented the Proposed Budget for Year Ending June 30, 1966, which called for expenditures of \$218,150.00, anticipated income of \$94,600.00, leaving a total of \$123,550.00 to be received in church contributions.

Voted: to adopt the budget as presented.

5605 Development Program, Mr. Walter C. Gates, reporting.

United Synod Advance disbursements to the Seminary:

Albany	135,000
New Jersey	430,302
New York	270,000

Development is held up awaiting direction from the Permanent Committee on Theological Education. Uncertainties about re-location or merger are having serious effects on United Synod Advance giving.

Voted: to receive and adopt the report.

40 Mr. Jamison reported for information only, that the Permanent Committee on Theological Education has begun preliminary studies re: merger; will meet June 1 and 2 in New Brunswick; will try to reach a consensus by October 1965 which will be only one year from the time the idea of merger was proposed by the Board. Following discussion it was

Voted: That the Building and Grounds Committee be requested to present a study, as complete as possible, of the development program of the Seminary on the present site, in the event that merger is not recommended by the Permanent Committee on Theological Education; to report to the Board at the October 1965 meeting.

5607 The Annual Report of the Faculty was spoken to briefly by Dr. Jamison, the Board members having received the entire report in mimeographed form. It covered matters of Curriculum, Relationship between Students and Faculty, the Professorate, Relocation and/or merger of the Seminaries. It included the following recommendations:

1. The faculty recommends that the present members of the Junior Class be advanced to the Middler Class, and that the present members of the Middler Class be advanced to the Senior Class.
2. The faculty recommends for the Professorial certificate:
Robert W. Barrowclough
Neal S. Busker

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Calvin C. Hays
 Richard A. Miller
 John D. Pontier
 *Jan W. van Arsdale
 David Waanders
 Everett L. Zabriskie

*Awarded January 1965

3. The faculty recommends for the Bachelor of Divinity Degree

Robert W. Barrowclough
 Neal S. Busker
 Ronald E. Dunk
 Calvin C. Hays
 Richard A. Miller
 Joseph N. Patterson
 John D. Pontier
 Jan W. van Arsdale
 David Waanders
 Everett L. Zabriskie

Voted: to receive the report and adopt the recommendations.

The presentation of the faculty and graduating seniors was conducted in a friendly and informal manner. Dr. Jamison presented the faculty, Professors Beardslee, Belman, Ellis, Wissink, Rogers, Kooy, VandenBerge and Vander Lugt, thanked them for their fine contributions to the Seminary during the past year, and gave a special introductory welcome to the newest member, Dr. Beardslee. Dean Rogers presented the seniors and spoke about their future plans.

A recess was called and Board members visited informally with the faculty and seniors during a coffee-break.

The meeting re-convened at 4:40 P.M. Chairman Marsh thanked the board members who were completing their terms of office and welcomed the Rev. Albert C. Freeman, a new member, and the Rev. Charles J. Boonstra, recently returned to the Board.

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Mr. Gates presented the following recommendation for consideration of the Board: That a letter be sent by the Board to the churches of the Eastern Synods pointing out the reasons for a re-study of our renewal program and a study of the possibilities of seminary merger, the fact that merger discussions were initiated by the Board that United Synod Advance funds will be urgently needed regardless of the ultimate decision.

It was moved and supported.

An amendment was moved and supported that the above motion be decided by the members of the Board of Superintendents who are also members of the Theological Committee on Education. The amendment was approved.

The amendment as amended was then approved.

Upon suggestion from the floor it was agreed that copies of the above letter, if and when sent, would be mailed to members of the Board of Superintendents for their information.

Dr. Jamison announced the Baccalaureate Service to be held tonight in Hertzog Hall,

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and the Commencement tomorrow in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University.

The Board members were reminded that the next meeting of the Board would be held October 6 and 7, 1965 at Warwick Estates.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 P.M. with the closing prayer by the Rev. Richard Skoog.

Respectfully submitted,

James Dickson, Secretary pro tem

October 7 and 8, 1965

The regular meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Thursday, October 7, 1965, at Warwick Estates. The Reverend Robert T. Marsh, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M. and led in opening prayer. Mr. James Dickson was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Those present were:

From the Particular Synod of:

Albany

Charles J. Boonstra
Franklin S. Deitz
Robert A. Geddes
Lynn T. Joosten
Russell F. Pater

New Jersey

Arie R. Brouwer
Irving H. Decker
Warren J. Henseler
Bruce E. Penn
Richard J. Skoog

New York

Herman L. Barbary
Frederick R. Bosch
Ronald D. Lokhorst
Douglas R. MacDonald
John W. Mongin

Chicago

Percy J. Kinkema

Michigan

Harland Steele

Iowa

Alvin A. Hook

Members-at-Large

Thomas Boslooper
Daniel Y. Brink
Maurice Marcus
Donald A. Maxam
Martin A. Punt

Gordon Bradbury
Arie Contant
A. Franklin Deuble
James Dickson
Harold J. Dobbs

Austin E. Ganly
Adrian C. Heerschap
George B. Howell
H. Allen Lochner
Roger F. Murray II

Alfred J. Paolini
Willard C. Wichers
L. Earle Winters

By Virtue of Office

President of the Seminary
Treasurer of the Seminary
Chairman Board of Superintendents
Executive Secretary of Bd. of Education
Representative of the Alumni Association

- Dr. Wallace N. Jamison
- L. Russell Peakes
- Robert T. Marsh
- Christian H. Walvoord
- David C. Van Sickle

Guest - Walter C. Gates

Board Members who requested to be excused:

Frederick R. Bosch - from Thursday evening meeting
Albert C. Freeman

Arend D. Lubbers
John J. Soeter

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Excused:

R. Earl Haley
George D. Hulst

Preston J. Stegenga

Chairman Marsh read from the Book of Nehemiah. He related the account of Nehemiah to the work ahead of us in re-building, the personal responsibility we must assume, and our need to be obedient servants of Gd. He then led in the opening prayer.

Chairman Marsh introduced and welcomed the following new members to the Board:

Mr. Arie Contant (returned after one year off)
Mr. A. Franklin Deuble
The Rev. Robert Geddes
The Rev. Alvin Hook
The Rev. Percy Kinkema
The Rev. Martin Punt
The Rev. Harland Steele (continuing)

The minutes of the May 18 and 19 meeting, 1965 were approved as distributed.

The agenda as corrected was approved.

Correspondence was read by the Secretary:

1. A letter of thanks from the faculty, written by the Reverend Peter N. VandenBerge. No action required.
- S-610 2. A letter of resignation from Allan M. Rinehart. Moved, seconded and carried that Mr. Rinehart's resignation be accepted with regret and that the vacancy be noted by the Nominating Committee.
- S-611. The President's report as distributed was read in full by Dr. Jamison. It was moved, seconded and carried to receive the report and refer recommendations to appropriate committees.
- S-612. Chairman Marsh read a letter from the Passaic Classis requesting "the Boards of the two seminaries to reopen discussions of possible merger of the two R.C.A. seminaries. If this is not possible, the Classis of Passaic:
recommends and urges that New Brunswick Seminary enter into negotiations with Princeton Theological Seminary for the following purpose:
 1. Establish Princeton Seminary as the institution for the training of Reformed Church ministers, using its faculty, facilities, etc.
 2. Request that Princeton Seminary permit the R.C.A. to establish a chair or chairs for the teaching of Reformed Church history and polity
 3. Use whatever funds secured from the sale of New Brunswick Seminary to establish a fund to subsidize tuition fees of Reformed Church Seminary students at Princeton."

Moved and seconded to refer this letter to the Executive Committee (Directors).
Carried.

S-613. Treasurer Feakes presented financial reports for the year ended June 30, 1965, which showed the seminary to be in sound financial condition. Motion made and seconded to receive the report. Carried.

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The meeting recessed at 9:40 P.M. for coffee break and committee meetings. We were led in prayer by the Reverend Maurice Marcus.

Respectfully submitted,

James Dickson
Secretary pro tem

October 8, 1965

The Board reconvened at 9:13 A.M. with Chairman Robert T. Marsh presiding. The Reverend Warren Henseler led in a devotional service and opening prayer.

The Reverend Charles Boonstra, chairman of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum, reported on two concerns referred to his committee from the report of the President and offered the following recommendations:

No. 1 - S-614 - The Board of Superintendents, through its Committee on Professorate, undertake the revision of the Plan of Organization approved by the General Synod of 1961;

No. 2 - S-615 The Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Seminary overture the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

- a. To so revise the Constitution, Article III, Section 2, to have the Classes conduct the examination for the Licensure of a ministerial student at the end of his second year of theological training; and
- b. To instruct the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution to make the necessary changes in Article III, Section 5 so that the content of the examination for Licensure shall consist of examination in Personal Piety and in the Standards of Unity of the Reformed Church in America and that wherever the Standards of Unity have been interpreted by the General Synod, agreement by the student with these interpretations shall not be contested by the Classis; and
- c. To instruct the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution to so revise the statement in Article III, Section 5 that those subjects which are deleted from the examination for Licensure by Section b. of this overture be included in the examination for Ordination.

It is understood that wherever good order and logic require, appropriate wording changes be made in the Constitution.

- Voted:
1. To receive the report
 2. To adopt recommendation No. 1 (S-614)
 3. To adopt recommendation No. 2 (S-615)

S-616. The Reverend Herman Barbery, Chairman of the Committee on Library, presented the report of the faculty Committee on the Library which

had been distributed, and offered the following recommendations:

1. That the Board of Superintendents authorize the participation of the library in the A.T.L.A. Development Program for the fifth year for the full amount of \$3,000.
2. That the Board of Superintendents, through its secretary, express its appreciation to the Women's Auxiliary for its useful gifts of equipment to the library during the past year.
3. That the Board of Superintendents proceed with plans for a library addition and provide funds sufficient to meet the capital needs as outlined in this report. (Total, \$475,000).

S-617 - Voted: 1. To adopt recommendation No. 1.
 2. To adopt recommendation No. 2.
 3. In regard to recommendation No. 3, it was moved, seconded and carried:

"That the Board of Superintendents include the library needs in its plans for future development."

Voted: To receive the report.

S-618 - The Reverend Warren J. Henseler, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion and Recruitment, reported for his committee and it was voted to receive the report, and adopt the following recommendations:

The Board urges all pastors, consistories and classes to give close attention to the need for recruitment and to encourage them to send their students to New Brunswick.

S-619. Dr. Jamison presented the following two actions taken by the Executive Committee (Directors) for approval of the Board of Superintendents:

1. Action D-534, "The Directors recommend to the Board of Superintendents that we remain at the present site and develop this site." Voted at Directors Meeting, June 28, 1965.
2. Action D-543, After considering the letter of the Passaic Classis (see S-612) the Directors affirmed that "the sense of the Executive Committee is that any re-opening of the question of merger would not be fruitful at this time." Voted at Directors meeting October 8, 1965.

Dr. Roger F. Murray II moved adoption of the two recommendations. Supported. Discussion was lengthy and far-reaching. The Reverend Arie Brouwer moved to amend the recommendation No. 1 by adding: "This is done in the conviction that the Church in the East needs the Seminary to stand at the center of its life." Supported. More discussion.

Motion to cut off debate was voted.

Motion to amend recommendation No. 1 was carried.

Voted to refer these matters back to the Directors for refinement in wording, for report after lunch.

S-620. The meeting was recessed at 11:45 A.M. for group picture and lunch.

The Board of Superintendents meeting was reconvened by Chairman Marsh at 1:18 P.M. The Reverend David Van Sickle led the devotional period, and led in prayer.

S-621. Dr. Jamison, for the Executive Committee (Directors) presented substitute

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recommendations 1-4 which had been approved by the Directors (see D-544). Upon motions duly made and supported, each of the four recommendations was approved.

3-622 Mr. H. Allen Lochner reported for the Finance Committee regarding the President's recommendation of four \$500 fellowships based on academic excellence. The Finance Committee recommended that \$2,000 be added to the budget for the year 1966-67 for this purpose. It was so moved, supported and carried.

3-623 Mr. Alfred Paolini reported for the Building and Grounds Committee that a study of previous plans has been made and some changes would undoubtedly be recommended, such as the razing of Hertzog Hall and Suydam Hall; a new building to be constructed in the area between Hertzog Hall and Seminary Place to have classrooms, offices, chapel, visual aids, etc.; relocation of one or two professors. He recommended, (No. 1,) that the Building and Grounds Committee be authorized to interview and hire an architect as soon as possible. He recommended also (No. 2,) that we proceed with major repairs to buildings which we expect to retain, including improvements needed.

A motion to adopt recommendation No. 1, with implicit approval in principle of the probable changes, was defeated.

It was then moved that the Board of Superintendents authorize the Building and Grounds Committee to engage an architect and direct him to undertake a study moving in the direction outlined above and to report back to the Board. This motion was supported and carried.

Recommendation No. 2 was moved, supported and carried.

It was voted to receive the report.

3-624 The Reverend Donald Maxam, Chairman of the Committee on Students and Examinations, reported that his Committee met with eleven entering students on September 9th. The Committee reported on the background and qualifications of these students and expressed concern over the dwindling enrollment. The Committee suggested that it meet with the Committee on Professorate during the Spring Board meeting, thereby implementing the Board's action, S-580, in October 1964. There were no recommendations. Voted to receive the report.

There was no report from the Reverend David C. Van Sickle for the Alumni Association.

3-625 The Reverend Maurice Marcus presided while the Reverend Robert Marsh, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, placed the following names in nomination for officers of the Board of Superintendents:

Chairman	- one year term	The Reverend Warren Henseler
Vice Chairman	- one year term	The Reverend Donald Maxam
Secretary	- three year term	Mr. James Dickson
Treasurer	- three year term	Mr. L. Russell Peakes

There were no further nominations. It was voted that the nominations be closed and the Secretary cast one ballot for the nominees. This was done and the Chair declared them elected to their respective offices.

3-626 The Reverend Marsh placed the following names in nomination for Committee memberships in 1965-66:

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Members of the Executive Committee (Directors)

Mr. H. Allen Lochner	1970
Dr. Roger F. Murray II	1966
Rev. Frederick Bosch	1967
Mr. Alfred Paolini	1967
Rev. John J. Soeter	1967
Mr. Donald Stires	1967
Rev. Charles Boonstra	1967
Rev. Daniel Y. Brink	1968
Mr. Harold Dobbs	1968
Mr. Adrian Heerschap	1968
Rev. Robert Marsh	1968
Rev. Maurice Marcus	1969
Mr. L. Earle Winters	1969
Mr. Gordon Bradbury	1970
Rev. Irving Decker	1970
Rev. Donald Maxam	1970

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Mr. L. Russell Feakes	
Dr. Wallace N. Jamison	
Rev. Warren Henseler	1968
Rev. David Van Sickel	1970
Rev. Christian Walvoord	
Mr. James Dickson	

Committee on Library and Museum

Rev. David Van Sickel, Ch'mn. pro tem	1970
Rev. Herman Barbery, Chairman	1967
Rev. Percy Kinkema	1967
Mr. John Kowald	1971
Mr. Austin Ganly	1968
Mr. George Hulst	1968
Mr. George Howell	1969
Rev. Arthur Landon	1970

Committee on Promotion & Recruitment

Rev. Douglas MacDonald, Chairman	1967
Mr. E. Earl Haley	1966
Rev. Theodore Thielpape	1966
Rev. William Schwab	1967
Mr. Adrian Heerschap	1968
Rev. Franklin Deitz	1969
Mr. Willard Wichers	1969
Rev. Alvin Hook	1970
Mr. A. Franklin Deuble	1971

Voted to adopt the Committee assignments.

Chairman Marsh welcomed the Rev. Warren Henseler as the new Chairman and invited him to take the Chair.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, upon motion, at 2:45 A.M. October 8, 1965. The Rev. Christian Walvoord closed the meeting in prayer.

Committee on Finance

Mr. L. Russell Feakes, Chairman	
Rev. Frederick R. Bosch	1967
Mr. H. Allen Lochner	1970
Mr. Arie Contant	1971

Committee on Students & Examinations

Rev. Donald Maxam, Chairman	1970
Rev. Arie R. Brouwer	1966
Rev. Bruce Penn	1966
Rev. Thomas Boslooper	1967
Rev. Richard Skoog	1967
Rev. Ronald Lokhorst	1970
Mr. Loring Andrews	1970
Rev. Robert Geddes	1971

Committee on Professorate,
Instruction and Curriculum

Rev. Charles Boonstra, Chairman	1967
Rev. Albert Freeman	1967
Rev. Jared van Wagenen	1968
Rev. Lynn Joosten	1968
Mr. Gordon Bradbury	1970
Rev. Harland Steele	1970
Rev. Martin Punt	1971
Rev. Robert T. Marsh	1968

Committee on Nominations

Rev. Warren Henseler, Ch'mn	1969
Rev. Daniel Brink	1968
Rev. John Mongin	1968
Mr. L. Earle Winters	1969
Rev. Russell Pater	1970
Dr. Wallace N. Jamison	
Mr. James Dickson	

Committee on Building & Grounds

Mr. Alfred Paolini, Chairman	1967
Rev. John Soeter	1967
Mr. Donald Stires	1967
Mr. Harold Dobbs	1968
Rev. Maurice Marcus	1969
Rev. Irving Decker	1970

Respectfully submitted,

James Dickson
Secretary

April 4, 1966
A duly called special meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Monday, April 4, 1966 in the conference room of Sage Library. The Reverend Warren J. Henseler, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M. and led in prayer.

Those present were:

From the Particular Synod of:

Albany

Charles J. Boonstra
Robert A. Geddes
Theodore H. Thielpape

New Jersey

Arie R. Brouwer
Irving H. Decker
Warren J. Henseler
Leonard V. Kalkwarf
Robert T. Marsh
Bruce E. Penn

New York

Frederick R. Bosch
William C. Schwab
Richard J. Skoog
Douglas MacDonald

Members-at-Large

Daniel Y. Brink
Arie Contant
A. Franklin Deuble
James Dickson
Adrian C. Heerschap
Harold J. Dobbs

George B. Howell
George D. Hulst
John A. Kowald
H. Allen Lochner
Maurice Marcus

Donald A. Maxam
Roger F. Murray, II
Alfred J. Paolini
Martin A. Punt
L. Earle Winter

By virtue of office

President of the Seminary
Treasurer of the Seminary
Exec. Sec. of the Board of Education

- Dr. Wallace N. Jamison
- L. Russell Peakes
- Christian H. Walvoord

Guests

Walter C. Gates and Arnold W. Rose

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Chairman Henseler welcomed the Reverend Leonard Kalkwarf, a new Board member from the Classis of Philadelphia.

By consent, consideration of the Minutes of October 7 and 8 was deferred until the next meeting of the Board.

Dr. Jamison reported on developments since the last Board meeting summarizing the actions taken by the Executive Committee (Directors) at their meetings of November 30, 1965, February 1, 1966, and March 11, 1966.

Mr. Paolini reported that the Building and Grounds Committee has engaged Merchant and Seidel, Architects, Voorhees, Rose and Meyer, Associate Architects, and he introduced Mr. Rose who presented schematic drawings of the multi-purpose building and chapel proposed to be built where Hertzog Hall now stands. Mr. Rose's

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plan is for a one-story building housing classrooms and administrative offices, with a circular chapel in the foreground. The interest generated among Board members was evident in the comments and questions which followed Mr. Rose's detailed presentation:

Size of chapel	- maximum 120 seats
Height of chapel	- 50 Feet
Flexibility of chapel	- possibly moveable furniture
Symbolism in chapel	- still to be studied
Type of architecture	- new and dynamic
Built on a slab?	- yes
Estimated cost	- \$612,000 without furniture
Adaptable for possible use by Rutgers in future?	- yes

Chairman Henseler thanked Mr. Rose for his presentation.

S-627 - Mr. Paolini moved that Merchant and Seidel be authorized to proceed with the preparation of final plans for a multi-purpose building on the land presently occupied by Hertzog Hall and *that the architect's recommendation for the razing of Hertzog Hall be approved. The motion was accepted.

Discussion disclosed that the construction would be scheduled to start this September so the building would be ready for use in the Fall of 1967. Hertzog Hall would be razed this summer, in time for construction to start but not before the General Synod 1966.

S-628 - It was moved and supported to amend that part of the motion referring to razing Hertzog Hall as follows: *that we authorize the demolition of Hertzog Hall according to the recommendation of the architect". The amendment passed.

The motion as amended then passed with no audible opposition.

Dr. Jamison requested all Board members to submit their suggestions for consideration in drawing up final plans.

Chairmen Maxam, Boonstra and Henseler requested brief meetings of their respective committees, (i.e. Students and Examinations, Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum, and Nominations) immediately upon adjournment of the Board Meeting.

Dr. Jamison announced that three promising students have accepted Collegiate Fellowships and will join our student body in the Fall.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 P.M. The Reverend Donald Maxam led in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

James Dickson
Secretary

May 18, 1966

The regular Spring meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held on Wednesday, May 18, 1966 in the Worcester Chapel, Hertzog Hall, on the Seminary campus. The Reverend Warren J. Henseler, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 2:01 P.M. and the Reverend Russell Pater led in the opening prayer.

Those present were:

From the Particular Synod of:

Albany

Charles J. Boonstra
Franklin S. Deitz
Robert A. Geddes
Russell P. Pater
Theodore L. Thielpape
Jared van Wagenen

New Jersey

Arie R. Brouwer
Irving H. Decker
John J. Soeter
Leonard V. Klakwarf
Robert T. Marsh
Bruce E. Penn

New York

Ronald D. Lokhorst
Douglas R. MacDonald
William C. Schwab
Richard J. Skoog

From the Particular Synod of Iowa: Alvin A. Hook

Members-at-Large

Thomas Boslooper
Daniel Y. Brink
Arie Contant
A. Franklin Deuble

James Dickson
Harold J. Dobbs
Adrian C. Heerschap
John Kowald

Maurice Marcus
Martin A. Punt
Willard C. Wichers

By virtue of office:

President of the Seminary -
Chairman of the Board -
Rep. of Alumni Association-

Wallace N. Jamison
Warren J. Henseler
David C. Van Sickle

Guest - Walter C. Gates

The minutes of the Board meetings of October 7, 8, 1965 and April 4, 1966 had been previously distributed and were approved with corrections. The Reverend Douglas MacDonald and Mr. Harold J. Dobbs were present at the April meeting.

The agenda was approved as submitted with the addition of the Faculty visitation at 3:30 P.M., presentation of the graduating class and a coffee break scheduled for 4:00 P.M.

Announcements were made regarding arrangements for housing, Commencement, the academic procession, the Alumni luncheon and expense accounts.

Dr. Jamison reported the actions taken by the Executive Committee (Directors) at their meeting of May 17. Complete minutes will be distributed for information of all Board members.

S-629 Building and Grounds Committee: Mr. Gates reported for Mr. Paolini. Redecorating Sage Library, 87 College Avenue 8 Bishop Place, improving classrooms in Sage Library, paving parking lot and demolition of Suydam Hall has been accomplished at cost of \$10,917.22. Plans for a multi-purpose building are

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progressing on schedule, with occupancy anticipated in September, 1967.

Voted: To receive the report.

Committee on Professorate, the Reverend Charles Boonstra reporting.
The following recommendations were approved:

S-630 Voted: That the Board of Superintendents request an interpretation on which faculty positions in the Seminary are eligible for the office of Professor of Theology; that this request be directed to the Theological Commission and to the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution.

S-631 Voted: That the Board of Superintendents name Dr. E. Earle Ellis assistant professor of Biblical Studies for a period not to exceed three years, beginning with the academic year 1966-67; also, that Dr. Ellis be brought under the annuity program of the R.C.A. as a church worker and be granted the customary fringe benefits of those who hold full-time teaching positions at the Seminary.

S-632 Voted: That the Board of Superintendents permit and encourage the administrators of the Seminary to pursue the program in Christian Education already started, cooperating with the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, Va. and the Moravian Theological Seminary, leading to the granting of a Master of Christian Education degree.

Committee on Students and Examinations, the Reverend Thomas Boslooper reporting. The following recommendations were approved:

S-633 Voted: That the examinations of all the students be sustained.

S-634 Voted: That, in the interest of better relations between students and classis, the Registrar of the Seminary be asked to request of each incoming student a letter indicating that he is under care of his classis, and at the end of the student's studies the Registrar write to the Stated Clerk of the student's classis informing him of the student's impending graduation and requesting him to begin arrangements for the student's examination before his classis.

Committee on Library and Museum, the Rev. David Van Sickle reporting. The following recommendations were approved:

S-635 Voted: That the Chairman of the Library Committee, a member of the Faculty Library Committee, and the Librarian be authorized to determine the best utilization of present facilities with the aid, if need be, of the advice of library consultant firms, and that the plans for such utilization be presented at the fall meeting of the Board for its most earnest consideration.

At this point the faculty members were invited in, were introduced by Dr. Jamison, and were seated while the Secretary of the Faculty, Peter W. VandenBerge, presented the Faculty Report which had been distributed to all Board members. The following recommendations were approved:

S-637 Voted:

1. That the Board of Superintendents authorize the faculty, when all conditions are fulfilled, to advance the Junior students to the Middler Class, and the Middler students to the Senior Class.

... For the Professorial Certificate:

Eltje J. Brunemeyer	D. Thomas Stiel
Theodore L. Chandler, Jr.	Norman J. Tellier
Clive R. Chilton	William F. Thompson
Warren H. Fullerton	Glenn N. Van Oort
Thomas A. Kendall	G. Howard Van Sandt
John L. Magee, Jr.	Calvin J. Veltman
Johannes J. Meester	Frank J. Villerius
*Myron W. Reynolds	

*Awarded November, 1965

3. For Certificate of Completion - Deacon P. C. Varghese

4. For Bachelor of Divinity Degree:

John L. Bobbitt	D. Thomas Stiel
Eltje J. Brunemeyer	Norman J. Tellier
Robert E. Butcher	William F. Thompson
Theodore L. Chandler, Jr.	Walter Wah-tak Tsang
Clive R. Chilton	Glenn N. Van Oort
Warren H. Fullerton	Calvin J. Veltman
Thomas A. Kendall	Frank J. Villerius
John L. Magee, Jr.	

The members of the graduating class were then invited in and were introduced to the Board by Dean Rogers. Chairman Henseler expressed our congratulations to the men and announced a half-hour break for coffee and fellowship, which was welcomed by all.

The meeting reconvened at 4:22 P.M.

Committee on Recruitment and Promotion, the Reverend Douglas R. MacDonald reporting. The following recommendation was moved and seconded:

- S-638 That one person, either faculty member or staff person, be assigned special responsibility for (1) recruiting for the Seminary, (2) supervision of field work, (3) pastoral relationship to students.

After considerable discussion this motion was defeated.

- S-639 Upon request from the floor Mr. MacDonald reported action taken by the Classis of Metropolitan Jersey at its meeting of March 5, 1966. No action was taken by the Board.

- S-640 The Reverend Lokhorst moved that the Board of Superintendents recommend to the Executive Committee (Directors) that they secure a full-time man for recruitment. This motion was supported and passed.

Committee on Nominations, the Reverend Warren J. Henseler, reporting: To replace three members, James Dickson, E. Earl Haley, and Roger F. Murray III, who are completing their terms and are not eligible for re-election, the committee recommended that the Board nominate for three year terms:

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Anthony J. Froio
Preakness Reformed Church, Wayne, N.J.
President, Plans Board, Inc.

Dr. Howard Knag
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Church-on-the-Hill, Flushing, N.Y.
Assistant to the President, Queen's College

George Southworth
Greenbush Reformed Church, East Greenbush, N.Y.
Business Executive

S-641 Voted to approve.

George Hulst, member-at-large, has tendered his resignation because of a change of responsibilities at work prevents him from attending all day-time Board meetings. The committee recommends that George Hulst's resignation be accepted with regret and the Secretary be asked to send a letter to Mr. Hulst expressing our appreciation for his services.

S-642 Voted to approve.

The committee recommended that the Board nominate, to fill Mr. Hulst's unexpired term which runs to 1968:

Theodore De Soto
Brighton Reformed Church, Rochester, N. Y.
Dean of Boys, High School

S-643 Voted to approve.

Chairman Henseler read a letter of resignation from the Secretary, James Dickson, and recommended that the resignation be accepted with regret and that President Jamison send a letter to Mr. Dickson expressing our appreciation for his many services to the Board.

S-644 Voted to approve.

The committee recommended that the Reverend Douglas R. MacDonald, Chairman of the Committee on Promotion and Recruitment, be named to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee (Directors).

S-645 Voted to approve.

The committee recommended that Willard Wichers be named to represent our Board on General Synod's Permanent Committee on Theological Education.

S-646 Voted to approve.

Special Committee on the Goals of Theological Education, the Reverend Warren J. Henseler presented an interim report (the second) of the committee. The following recommendations were approved by vote:

S-647 That the faculty be commended for their thorough examination of the curriculum of the Seminary and their open sharing of views and plans with the Board's special committee.

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S-648. That the General Synod's Permanent Committee on Theological Education be requested to study the wisdom of continuing the Constitutional provision for an examination by Classis in the original languages.

In Treasurer Feakes' absence, Mr. Gates presented the budget for the year ending June 30, 1967.

S-649 Voted to approve the budget.

Mr. Gates then present^d the Treasurer's report of income and expense for the ten month period from July 1, 1965 to April 30, 1966 and the comparison with the 1966 budget.

S-650 Voted to receive the report.

The business concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M. in prayer led by the Reverend Robert Geddes.

Respectfully submitted,

James Dickson, Secretary

October 5 and 6, 1966

The regular Fall meeting of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary was held on Wednesday, October 5, and Thursday, October 6, 1966, at the Conference Center, Warwick, New York.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m., October 5, by Reverend Warren J. Henseler, Chairman of the Board, who conducted a devotional service centering around Ephesians 4:1-16, concluding with the singing of "God of Grace and God of Glory".

Reverend Daniel Y. Brink was appointed secretary pro tem. Those present were: The Reverends Soeter, Decker, Brouwer, Kalkwarf, Durkee, Schwab, MacDonald, Barbery, Mongin, Landon, Bosch, Skoog, Lokhorst, Penn (substituting for Reverend Joosten), Geddes, Boonstra, Pater, Thielpape, Dietz, Steele, Punt, Maxam, Marcus, Brink, Boslooper, Van Sickle, and Henseler. The Messrs. Contant, Kowald, Bradbury, Wicher, Dobbs, Heerschap, De Soto, Paolini, Knag, Froio, Southworth and Feakes. Also present were Dr. Lars Granberg, president-elect of Northwestern College, and Dr. Thomas Ten Hoeve, the acting president of Northwestern College. The Seminary administration was represented by President Wallace N. Jamison, the Business Manager, Walter C. Gates, and the Librarian, the Reverend Peter N. VandenBerge.

Absent: Ganly, Freeman, Marsh, Joosten, van Wagenen, Kinkema, Hook, Deuble, Andrews, Lochner, Howell, Winters and Stires.

Chairman Henseler introduced and welcomed the following new members of the Board: Mr. Theodore De Soto, Dr. Howard Knag, Mr. Anthony Froio, and Mr. George Southworth.

The minutes of the May 18, 1966, meeting were approved.

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The agenda was adopted as presented, with the addition of reports by the special Committee on Curriculum Revision (S-635), by the Committee on Goals of Theological Education, and a letter from the Classis of New Brunswick.

President's Report - Dr. Jamison submitted a mimeographed report, and spoke of the demolition of Suydam and Hertzog Halls in preparation for the construction of the new multi-purpose building. Three recommendations were referred as follows:

1. To proceed with development, - referred to Buildings and Grounds Comm.
2. To authorize contract, - referred to Buildings and Grounds Comm.
3. To explore relations with Rutgers and other institutions, - referred to Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum.

Dr. Jamison was questioned regarding mandatory group pastoral counseling for the students, its possible violation of the privacy of students, and the qualifications of the leader. The President replied that the procedure had the approval of the faculty and that initial results had been good.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Feakes presented a written report and spoke to the financial situation at the Seminary. (Report appended to file copy of these minutes).

S-651 - It was voted to approve the report and to express appreciation for the work of the Treasurer.

S-652 - It was voted that effective this date and henceforth in the future, all written documents pertaining to the agenda for stated and special meetings of the Board of Superintendents be mailed to all Board members in advance of the meeting, such documents to be received not later than one week prior to the stated or special meeting.

A request was received from the Youth Council that every Seminary student be required to serve one week at a youth conference prior to graduation. The request was referred to the Committee on Students and Examinations.

The meeting recessed at 9:40 p.m., so that the committee meetings might be held.

Thursday, October 6, 1966

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Henseler at 9:03 A.M.

Prayer was offered by Vice Chairman Donald Maxam who also read from I Corinthians 13.

Chairman Henseler read the letter of Classis New Brunswick regarding the Seminary.

S-653 - It was voted that the Board go into executive session to consider the letter. It was agreed that no minutes would be kept of the executive session. The Board went into executive session at 9:23 a.m.

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and continued therein until 11:26 a.m., when it voted to resume open session, and a recess was declared.

At 11:40 a.m. the Board re-convened in open session.

S-654 - It was voted that the officers of the Board, together with three other members named by the Chairman, be appointed as a committee to consider the internal affairs of the Seminary, with whatever consultation may be appropriate, with report to the next regular meeting of the Board.

Vice Chairman Donald Maxam assume the chair at 11:41 a.m.

Financial Report - Treasurer Peakes reported the action of the Directors on October 5, 1966, regarding pensions for lay employees. (see Minutes of the Executive Committee (Directors) October 5, 1966, D-581).

S-655 - It was voted to approve the compulsory retirement age of 65 for lay employees, and to receive the report.

Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum - Reverend Charles Boonstra, chairman, reported that the Reverend Dr. Gerrit T. Vander Lugt will retire as Professor of Systematic Theology at the end of the academic year and the Committee is seeking a successor. The Committee made three recommendations:

1. Approval of a sabbatical year for Professor Virgil M. Rogers for 1967-1968, as requested by Dr. Rogers.
2. That the securing of an interim replacement for Dr. Rogers be left to President Jamison and the faculty.
3. That there be continuing study of the re-structuring of the Plan of Organization.
4. That there be further exploration of a relations with Rutgers and other schools and adoption of recommendation #3 of the President's report.

S-656 - It was voted to grant the request of Professor Rogers for a sabbatical leave during the academic year 1967-68.

S-657 - It was voted that responsibility to secure an interim replacement for Dr. Rogers be left with President Jamison and the faculty.

S-658 - It was voted to approve recommendation #3 of the President's report that there be further exploration of relations with Rutgers and other schools.

S-659 - It was voted to hold over final approval of the report until after noon recess.

S-660 - It was voted to recess until 12:00 m.

The Board reconvened at 12:47 p.m., with Vice Chairman Donald Maxam presiding. Mr. Willard Wichers offered prayer.

S-661 - It was voted that the Chairman of the Board appoint a special committee to revise the Plan of Organization, which committee will report to a special meeting of the Board not later than February of 1967.

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S-662 - It was voted to receive the report of the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum.

Committee on the Library - Reverend Herman Barbery, Chairman, presented the mimeographed report of the Library Committee of the Faculty, containing three recommendations to the Board, regarding:

1. Guidelines for better use of Library
2. Continued study of the Library by the Board's Committee on the Library
3. Authorization of the expenditure of up to \$10,000 for re-classification of the Library collection.

S-663 - It was moved that the Board endorse the seven guidelines of the Library report for better utilization of the Library.

It was moved that the three recommendations of the Library report be referred back to the Library Committee of the Board for report at the special meeting of the Board in February, 1967. A motion to set aside the Rules of Order to permit debate of the referral was defeated.

S-664 - It was then voted to refer the recommendations back to the Library Committee of the Board.

S-665 - It was voted to receive the report as a whole.

Buildings and Grounds Committee - Chairman Alfred J. Paolini called attention to the plans for the new multi-purpose building on display. He presented the following recommendations:

1. That the Board approve the plans and specifications as prepared by the architectural firm of Merchant & Seidel for the construction of the new multi-purpose building.

S-666 - It was voted to approve the recommendation.

2. That the Board authorize the Executive Committee (Directors) to sign a contract for the construction of the new multi-purpose building, if the bids are within the price range approved by the Board.

S-667 - It was voted to approve the recommendation.

S-668 - It was voted to approve the report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Chairman Henseler resumed the chair at 1:35 p.m.

Committee on Students and Examinations - Reverend Donald Maxam, chairman, presented a mimeographed report.

Regarding the request of the Youth Council that students serve at youth conferences he recommended that the Seminary bring to the attention of the churches engaging students for summer work the advisability of permitting students to serve one week at a youth conference at the request of the student.

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S-670 - It was voted to refer the request of the Youth Council regarding students participation in youth conferences to the Committee on Students and Examinations.

Mr. Maxam expressed concern that nothing had been done on actions S-566 (the unification and coordination of theological education) and S-614 (revision of the Plan of Organization).

S-670 - It was voted to receive the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations.

Alumni Association - Reverend David C. Van Sickle, representative of the Alumni Association, reported a suggestion that a course leading to a M. A. degree be considered. He urged members of the Board with students in their churches to confer with them regarding the life of the Seminary.

S-671 - It was voted that the Committee on Professorate, Instruction and Curriculum give consideration to the development of ecumenical theological education, for example, the offering of a Master of Religious Education degree in connection with Princeton Seminary.

Vice Chairman Maxam resumed the chair at 1:57 p.m.

Special Committee on Goals of Theological Education - Its chairman, the Reverend Warren Henseler, reported that other committees are also studying the matter.

S-672 - It was voted to receive the report.

Special Committee on Curriculum Revision - Its chairman, the Reverend Don Maxam presented a mimeographed report with no recommendations.

S-673 - It was voted to accept the report, dismiss the committee, and instruct the Committee on Goals of Theological Education to proceed with its work. The chairman should be designated by the Chairman of the Board of Superintendents, and which committee shall henceforth be responsible to the Board of Superintendents and not to the Directors.

Committee on Promotion and Recruitment - Reverend Douglas MacDonald, its chairman, suggested that reports made to the Board be made available to the Classes through the Board members. To change the image of the Seminary it might be advisable to call it by some other name, e.g., "Rutgers", or "Eastern". The recruitment program must be strengthened.

It was moved that the Board of Superintendents advise the Executive Committee (Directors) to secure the services of a man especially qualified to do full-time recruitment for the Seminary.

S-674 - It was voted to table the motion.

S-675 - It was voted that the special committee of the Board of Directors on recruitment (D-580) report to the Board of Superintendents at its meeting on February, 1967.

S-676 - It was voted to receive the report of the Committee on Promotion and Recruitment

Committee on Nominations - The Reverend Warren Henseler, chairman of the committee, reported,

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nominating the following officers: for Chairman, the Reverend Donald Maxam; for Vice Chairman, the Reverend Martin Punt; for Treasurer, Mr. L. Russell Feakes; and for Secretary, Mr. Gordon Bradbury.

S-677 - It was voted to close the nominations and instruct the clerk to cast one ballot for the above nominees. The ballot was cast and they were declared elected.

Newly elected Chairman Donald Maxam assumed the chair.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m. with prayer by the Reverend Donald Maxam.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Y. Brink
Secretary pro tem

February 24 and 25, 1967

A duly called Special Meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held at Warwick Estates, Warwick, New York, on Friday, February 24, and Saturday, February 25, 1967.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Board, the Reverend Donald A. Maxam, who asked the Reverend Martin Punt to lead in the opening prayer.

Those present were: The Reverends Boonstra, Bosch, Brink, Brower, Decker, Deitz, Durkee, Hesselink (replacing Wing), Hook, Jamison, Kalkwarf, LeFevre, Marsh, Maxam, Mongin, Pater, Penn, Punt, Skoog, Thielpape, VanderHart, Van Sickle. The Messrs. Bradbury, Contant, Dobbs, Feakes, Froio, Knag, Kowald, Lochner, Paolini, Southworth. Mr. Walter Gates, the Business Manager, was present as a guest.

Absent were: The Reverends: Benes, Boslooper, Freeman, Kinkema, MacDonald, Marcus, Schwab, Soeter, Steele, Walvoord. The Messrs: Andrews, DeSoto, Deuble, Granberg, Howell, Lubbers, Stires, VanderWerf, Wichers, Winters.

The Chairman introduced the new members to the Board: The Rev. Gerald Vander Hart from the Classis of New York, the Reverend Benjamin LeFevre from the Classis of Mid-Hudson, the Reverend Bruce Penn from the Classis of Albany and the Reverend Charles Hesselink substituting for the Reverend Wing of the Classis of Columbia-Greene.

S-678 - It was voted to adopt the proposed agenda with the addition of the report by the "Special Committee on the Nature of Theological Education".

S-679 - A motion was made to include on the agenda the report by Dr. Jamison which had been sent to the members, "Reflections on the Future of Theological Education". The motion was seconded and carried.

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S-680 - The Secretary was asked to read a letter of resignation from the Reverend Peter N. VandenBerge. The motion was made that the Board accept the resignation with regret. It was voted to accept the resignation and the resignation be referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws to be taken to prepare a suitable resolution. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Chairman announced that Dr. Eelman has submitted his resignation as Professor of Practical Theology to accept his call to be pastor of the Reformed Church of Readington, N. J.

The report by the "Committee on Plan of Organization" was made by the Reverend Arie Brouwer. There was discussion on the "Statement of Purpose".

S-681 - The Reverend Eugene Durkee moved that ARTICLE II Purpose, be referred back to Committee for a rewrite to include the thoughts given by the Board for possible inclusion in the new constitution. Motion was seconded and passed.

S-682 - Following extended discussion on the proposed constitution, a motion was made that it be accepted in substance with appreciation and gratitude to the Committee on Plan of Organization. Motion seconded and carried.

S-683 - The attention of the Board then turned to the By-Laws of the Constitution, and minor changes were offered. It was moved that under Article II - Administrative Officers, Section 3, the sentence, "All administrative officers shall be required to resign their office upon the appointment of a new president", be reworded so that it would not demand the resignation of the Business Manager. The motion carried.

Discussion then centered on Article III - Faculty, Section 3, Qualifications.

S-684 - It was moved that Section 3 be referred back to the Committee for a re-statement.

A motion was made to table the previous motion (S-684). Motion was seconded and carried.

A motion was made to refer the first sentence of Section 3 back to the Committee. The motion lost.

S-685. A motion was made to delete the first sentence of Section 3. Motion seconded and carried.

S-686 - It was voted to refer the last sentence of Section 3 back to the committee.

S-687 - It was then voted to refer the substance of the first sentence of section 3 back to the committee.

A motion was made to refer item "d" - "Student Discipline" under Article III, Section 6, back to the committee for reconsideration. Motion was defeated.

S-688 - It was moved that the By-Laws be approved in substance with due thanks to the committee for their untiring efforts. Motion seconded and carried.

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The Board recessed for fifteen minutes at 9:30 p.m., and then resumed in Executive Session to hear the report from the "Committee on Internal Affairs". The Reverend Punt, vice chairman took the chair. It was agreed that no minutes would be recorded during the Executive Session.

The meeting recessed at 11:30 p.m., and resumed at 9:00 a.m. on February 25th with an opening prayer by the Reverend Maxam.

The next agenda item was the "Reflections on the Future of Theological Education" as prepared by Dr. Jamison. He suggested that the Board take some action concerning four options to provide an expression of position to the Special Committee on Theological Education of the G.S.E.C.

A motion to table the previous motion was defeated.

The original motion was then voted on and was defeated.

The Reverend Durkee made a motion that the Board adopt the recommendations of the document on Seminary merger, dated February 24, 1967, prepared by him, and asked that it be voted on seriatum. After considerable discussion on merger, the motion was withdrawn.

S-689 - A motion was made that the chair appoint a committee of the Board to meet with the Special Committee on Theological Education of the G.S.E.C. to convey the feelings of the Board of Superintendents and that this committee be instructed to communicate to them the sense of urgency felt by the Board. Motion seconded and carried.

S-690 - It was voted that the report on the "Reflections on the Future of Theological Education" be referred to the Committee of the Board.

S-691 - A motion was made to reconsider the document submitted by the Reverend Durkee and that it be voted on seriatum. Motion made and carried.

S-692 - It was agreed by the Board that recommendations I and II of the Reverend Durkee's document be combined and hereafter be considered as Recommendation I. Likewise, Recommendation III becomes Recommendation II and Recommendation IV becomes Recommendation III.

A motion was made that Recommendations I and II (as altered) of the Reverend Durkee's document be referred to the Committee of the Board. Motion was seconded and passed.

S-693 - A motion was made by Dr. Howard Knag to the effect that this Board of Superintendents is on record as being "open to merger".

A motion was made to table motion S-693; this was seconded and carried.

S-694 - It was then moved that Recommendations I and II (as altered) of the Reverend Durkee's document to be adopted as a viable option and be referred to the Committee of the Board.

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The motion was seconded and a poll of the Board requested. Count: 23 voted for and 5 against. Motion carried.

The Chairman of the Board appointed the following on the Committee of the Board to meet with the special Committee on Theological Education:

Dr. Jamison

Dr. Knag

Rev. Durkee

Mr. Lochner Rev. Maxam

Mr. Walter Gates was asked to make the report for the "Special Committee on Recruitment". It was moved that the recommendation found at the conclusion of the report by the "Special Committee on Recruitment" be adopted. Motion lost.

S-695 - Motion made that the Administration present a report at the May meeting covering the recruitment practices at the Seminary for the past year, and the projected plans for the future. Motion seconded and passed.

The Reverend Eugene Durkee spoke on the report of the "Special Committee on the Nature of Theological Education". After a discussion of the report—

S-696 - A motion was made that the recommendations, found at the conclusion of the report on Page 3, as submitted by the "Special Committee on the Nature of Theological Education" be adopted in total with the exception that items 2, 3, and 4 be changed as follows:

Item 2. Change \$125,000 to \$116,000

Item 3. Change \$35,000 to read \$32,000

Item 4. Substitute the following wording: "That the program be implemented as soon as possible after September 1, 1967". The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12 noon.

The meeting reconvened at 12:48, and we were led in prayer by Reverend Russell Pater.

S-697 - The Treasurer's Report, prepared by Mr. Feakes covering the six months period ending December 31, 1966, had been distributed to the members of the Board on February 1, 1967. It was voted to receive the Treasurer's Report.

Mr. Walter Gates explained the Budget Proposal covering the period September 1, 1967 to August 31, 1968. He pointed out that the Executive Committee had recommended changing the item "Faculty Development" from \$300 to \$2500. Also, the item "Lecturers" to be increased from \$500 to \$1500.

S-698 - A motion to approve the Budget Proposal (9/1/67 to 8/31/68) as amended by the Executive Committee and for referral to the G.S.E.C. was seconded and carried.

S-699 - It was moved that the "Continuing Education Program" be given top priority in the budget proposal. Motion carried.

Chairman Maxam announced that there would be no report from the Library Committee due to the resignation of the Librarian.

The Secretary read the Professorate Committee's Report prepared by the Reverend Charles Boonstra. There were six recommendations; each was voted upon seriatim:

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S-700 - Voted that the Board recommend to the General Synod that the Reverend Doctor Gerrit T. Vander Lugt be declared Professor of Theology, Emeritus, following his retirement from the Seminary.

S-701 - 2. Voted that Professor E. Earle Ellis be promoted to the rank of Associate Professor of Biblical Studies effective September 1, 1967, for a term of three years, with the usual increase in remuneration.

S-702 - 3. Voted that beginning with the academic year September 1, 1967, New Brunswick Theological Seminary change its program from a three-term year to a two semester year.

S-703. 4. Voted that an invitation be extended to the Rev. Eugene Marion Klaaren to become Lector in Systematic Theology for a three year term with the salary and fringe benefit scale appropriate to his rank. Motion passed.

S-704 - 5. Voted that appropriate resolutions of appreciation be prepared for the contributions and service of the men who are leaving our faculty:

Dr. Gerrit T. Vander Lugt, Professor of Systematic Theology
Dr. James C. Eelman, Professor of Practical Theology
Rev. Peter VandenBerge, Librarian, and that these be presented when the Board meets with the Faculty at the Spring meeting.

S-705 - 6. Voted that the entire Board of Superintendents assist the Professorate Committee in discovering candidates for the chair of Homiletics and Practical Theology and for the position of Librarian.

S-706 - A motion was made to receive and adopt the report submitted by the Professorate Committee.

S-707 - It was moved that the Professorate Committee meet with future candidates for positions at the Seminary prior to presenting their names to the Board, and that the Board be given the names and qualifications ten days prior to their regular meeting. Motion was seconded and passed.

S-708 - Motion made—that the Professorate Committee not be bound by the present salary scale in hiring candidates for the openings and that they be authorized to set a salary, not in excess of \$10,000, when it is appropriate. Motion was seconded and carried.

S-709 - It was moved that the Professorate Committee undertake a study of the present salary levels in relations to other institutions and report back to the Board. Motion carried.

Chairman Maxam advised the Board that it will be necessary for him to resign before the end of June. The Board requested that he continue to serve at least until the end of May and to this he agreed.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, it was voted to adjourn at 2:20 p.m. Dr. Daniel Brink offered the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon Bradbury, Secretary

NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Superintendents

May 17, 1967

The regular Spring meeting of the Board of Superintendents was held on Wednesday, May 17, 1967, in the Sage Library on the Seminary campus. The Reverend Donald A. Maxam, chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., and the Reverend Gerald Vander Hart led in prayer.

Those present were:

From the Particular Synods of:

Albany

James W. Benes
Charles J. Boonstra
Franklin S. Deitz
Russell F. Pater
Bruce E. Penn
Donald R. Wing

New Jersey

Arie R. Brouwer
Irving H. Decker
Eugene H. Durkee
Leonard V. Kalkwarf
Robert T. Marsh
Alfred J. Paolini
John J. Soeter

New York

Benjamin LeFevre
William C. Schwab
Richard J. Skoog
Gerald Vander Hart

Members-at-Large:

Daniel Y. Brink	John A. Kowald
Arie Contant	Maurice Marcus
Harold J. Dobbs	Donald A. Maxam
Adrian Heerschap	Martin A. Punt
Howard A. Knag	Willard C. Wichers

L. Earle Winters

Ex Officio

Wallace N. Jamison
David Van Sickle

Guest

Walter C. Gates

The minutes of the Board meetings of October 5 and 6, 1966, and February 24 and 25, 1967, were approved with the following corrections:

1. Action S-663 - of the October meeting should read "It was moved" instead of "It was voted."
2. The name of John A. Kowald should be added to the names of those present at the February 24 meeting.

S-710. In the absence of the regular Secretary, Rev. Daniel Y. Brink was appointed Secretary pro tem. It was voted to approve the agenda as distributed.

The following communications were read to the Board:

1. A letter from the Stated Clerk of General Synod re action of the GSEC on merger of the Seminary Boards.
2. A letter from the President of General Synod as chairman of the GSEC re 1968 Budget, allowing \$117,000 from general benevolences toward the operating budget of the Seminary
3. A letter of resignation from Rev. Donald Maxam as chairman and as member of the Board of Superintendents.

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S-711 It was voted to accept the resignation of Mr. Maxam as chairman but to retain him as member-at-large on the Board.

S-712 In the absence of the Treasurer, the Treasurer's Report was presented by Mr. Walter Gates. It was voted to receive the report. Mr. Gates also presented the 1968 Budget as approved by the Executive Committee.

S-713 It was voted to approve the budget.

S-714 Dr. Jamison reported on the actions taken by the Executive Committee (Directors), details of which will be found in the minutes to be distributed to all Board members. It was voted to receive the report.

S-715 Dr. Brink, reporting on behalf of the Committee to name the new building proposed the name ZWEMER HALL. It was voted to approve the name and receive the report.

S-716 Dr. Marcus reported on various designs for a symbol to place on or above the new building. It was moved and seconded that the committee be authorized to decide on a symbol and proceed to secure it. It was then voted to amend the motion by adding "in consultation with the Building and Grounds Committee". The original motion was then voted and the report received.

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S-718 After the vice-chairman, the Reverend Punt, took the Chair, the Reverend Maxam presented the report on the Nature of Theological Education. Because of the severe curtailment of the budget it was recommended that any decision with regard to personnel or financing of the proposed Center for Continuing Education at New Brunswick Seminary be deferred until the fall meeting of the Board, or in the event that a single Board is created for both seminaries the original proposal be passed on to the new Board for consideration. It was voted to approve the recommendation and receive the report.

S-719 The Board went into executive session to receive the report of the Committee on Internal Affairs. It was voted that the Board express its trust in the President, that it continue this committee so that it may report to the Board upon the successful achievement of the goals outlined in the report. The report was received.

S-720 After the Board went out of executive session, Dr. Jamison presented his report on recruitment practices at the Seminary. It was voted to adopt the report.

S-721 The report of the Committee on Reorganization was presented by its chairman, the Reverend Brouwer. It was moved and seconded that the proposed Constitution be approved and recommended to the General Synod for action in the event that Synod does not approve the GSEC proposal to form a single Board for the two seminaries. It was then moved and seconded that the word "trustees" replace the word "directors" wherever the latter is found in the Constitution. It was voted to adopt the amendment. It was then voted to approve the Constitution as amended,

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S-723 including the changes recommended by the committee in its mimeographed report. It was voted to approve the proposed By-Laws, pending approval of the proposed Constitution by the General Synod, with the word "trustees" to replace "directors" wherever used.

S-724 It was voted that pending approval of the proposed Constitution by the General Synod, the committee revise the Articles of Incorporation in accordance with the proposed Constitution and By-Laws and have the proposed Constitution, By-Laws, and Articles of Incorporation reviewed by legal counsel.

S-725 It was voted to recess for lunch at 12:13 p.m. The Board reconvened at 2:02 p.m. and the Reverend LeFevre led in prayer. On motion of Dr.

S-726 Jamison, it was voted to express appreciation to the Committee on Re-Organization for the excellent work they did in preparing a new Constitution and By-Laws for the Seminary.

Mr. Paolini presented the report of the Building and Grounds Committee indicating that work was proceeding satisfactorily on the new building. S-727 It was voted to receive the report.

No reports were received from the Library Committee or the Committee on Recruitment and Promotion.

S-728 The Reverend Decker presented the report of the Committee on Students and Examinations. It was voted that Professorial Certificates and B.D. degrees be awarded to the men recommended by the faculty as deserving these attainments. The report as a whole was received.

The report of the Committee on Professorate was presented by the Reverend Boonstra. Of the three men who were invited to join the faculty of the Seminary, the Reverend David L. Engelhardt accepted the position of Librarian. The other two declined. S-729 It was voted to give the Professorate Committee power to act in filling the remaining two vacancies on the faculty. Reverend Boonstra then read resolutions on behalf of Dr. Vander Lugt, Dr. Eelman, and the Reverend VandenBerge, who are leaving the faculty. S-730 It was voted to adopt the resolutions and to receive the report as a whole.

The vice-chairman of the Board then assumed the chair while Mr. Maxam presented the report of the Nominating Committee. There were three categories of nominations:

1. In the event the General Synod did not approve merger of the two Boards and did not approve the new Constitution, the following names were presented for nomination as members-at-large for six years:

Mr. John Byrom of Ho-Ho-Kus, N. J.

Dr. Ethan Ellis of Piscataway, N. J.

Reverend Armand Renskers of Pompton Lakes, N. J.

S-731 It was voted to nominate these men to the General Synod under the above conditions.

2. In the event the General Synod did not approve merger of the two Boards but approved the new Constitution, no nominations would be in order.

3. In the event the General Synod approved the merger of the two Boards, the committee presented a list of eleven names of which the Board could vote for six nominees. Those selected were: Reverend Brank, Reverend Brouwer, Reverend Marsh, Dr. Roger Murray II, Reverend Punt, and Mr. Wichers. It was voted to nominate the above men to the General Synod under the above conditions.

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Mr. Maxam then resumed the chair and the Board took under consideration the Annual Report of the Faculty. It was voted to approve recommendations 1, 2, and 3, covering advancement of students in class and the granting of Professorial Certificates and B.D. degrees. Recommendation Number 4 regarding a waiver of the language requirements for Ebenezer Mane entitling him to a B.D. degree upon satisfactorily completing two years of work at the Seminary was voted unanimously. Mr. Mane was brought in before the Board and informed of their action. He replied with an expression of appreciation.

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When recommendation Number 5 concerning the faculty statement on union of the seminaries was discussed, the faculty was invited to share in the discussion. After lengthy discussion involving an alternative statement prepared by a sub-committee of the Board it was voted to table the recommendation. Thereafter a revised statement prepared by the faculty which secured popular support was presented as follows:

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NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
Statement on Union of the Seminaries

We, the faculty and the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, feel very strongly that action for the union of theological seminaries in the Reformed Church in America should be undertaken only after a thorough study made in consultation with all concerned and with competent outside advisors, especially the American Association of Theological Schools. We appreciate the fact that the General Synod Executive Committee recognizes the urgency of making a decision regarding the future of our two seminaries, but we regret that the special committee on theological seminaries saw fit to present a recommendation to the GSEC without consulting the two theological faculties, who are so deeply involved in the decisions which are being recommended. We wonder whether sufficient attention was given to the recommendation of the Convocation of Theological Professors adopted on June 6, 1966, as follows:

"It was voted that the joint faculties recommend to the General Synod that the Permanent Committee on Theological Education in consultation with the faculties engage in a thorough study of the task of theological education, with a view to determining what theological institution or institutions would best serve the purpose of training individuals in the several branches of the Christian ministry, and with a view finally of recommending to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America the program which should be undertaken."

We, as a Faculty and a Board, would affirm our support of the union of the two Seminary Boards but we would ask that the matter of the merger

of the seminaries not be prejudged until further study has been made, taking advantage of the good offices of the A.M.T.S. and giving consideration to the results of any other studies regarding seminary merger that may become available.

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It was voted to adopt the statement on behalf of both Board and faculty and forward it to the General Synod.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 5:40 p.m. following prayer by the Reverend Bruce Penn.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary pro tem

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